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RESOLUTIONS EFFECTING THE

ORGANIZATION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN TRINITY CURCH IN ASTORIA, OREGON

AUGUST 27, 1929

WHEREAS there is an acknowledged need of a greater united effort on the part of the Lutheran people and churches of this city, and

WHEREAS the majority of the members of the First Lutheran and the Memorial Lutheran churches are in favor of such a united effort, and

WHEREAS the Pacific Synod of the United Lutheran Church of America, to which the Memorial congregation belongs, has signified its readiness to withdraw in favor of aforesaid effort, therefore be it

RESOLVED that we, the undersigned members and friends of the First Lutheran and the Memorial Lutheran churches of Astoria, unite in organizing an Evangelical Lutheran congregation which shall take the place of the two above mentioned and which shall be known as the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church in Astoria, Ore.

Be it further RESOLVED that this Congregation adopts the proposed constitution of Ev. Luth. Congregations as adopted and recommended by the Luth. Augustana Synod of North America in 1907, and ammended in 1915, and that this Congregation, as soon as it is properly incorporated, applies for admission into the Columbia Conference of the Ev. Luth. Augustana Synod of North America.

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Astoria, Oregon
August 22nd 1929.

Dear Friend:

The members of the First Lutheran and the Memorial Lutheran churches together with others, who are interested in the upbuilding of a stronger Lutheran Church in Astoria, will meet next Tuesday evening Aug. 27 at 7:30 o'clock at the Memorial Lutheran church, Grand Ave., near 14th street, for the purpose of organizing a congregation that will take the place of the above mentioned churches, and, as we hope, fill a long felt need of greater unity and cooperation among our Lutheran folks of this city.

May we not count on you to pray for the success of this endeavor, to be present personally next Tuesday evening, and to bring as many others with you as possible.

Yours for Christ and a greater Lutheran Church

Sincerely,

G. K. ANDEEN.

MINUTES OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HELD AT
THE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, ASTORIA
August 27th, 1929

The meeting was called by the pastor of the First Lutheran Church, Rev. G. K. Andeen, at the request of the board members of the First and the Memorial Lutheran churches of Astoria for the purpose of organizing the membership of said churches into a unit congregation.

About fifty individuals had heard the call and responded by their presence.

The meeting opened by the singing of an appropriate hymn followed by Scripture reading and prayer.

Pastor G. K. Andeen served as chairman, and Miss Agda Carlson was elected secretary.

After a few introductory remarks by the Chair relative to the purpose of the meeting the following resolutions were presented, seconded and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS there is an acknowledged need of a greater united effort on the part of the Lutheran people and churches of this city, and

WHEREAS the majority of the members of the First Lutheran and the Memorial Lutheran churches are in favor of such a united effort, and

WHEREAS the Pacific Synod of the United Lutheran Church of America, to which the Memorial congregation belongs at the present, has signified its readiness to withdraw in favor of aforesaid effort,

Therefore be it RESOLVED that we, the undersigned members and friends of the First Lutheran and the Memorial Lutheran churches of Astoria, unite in organizing an Evangelical Lutheran congregation which shall take the place of the two above mentioned, and which shall be known as the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church of Astoria, Oregon.

Be it further RESOLVED that this congregation adopts the proposed constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Congregations as adopted and recommended by the Lutheran Augustana Synod of North America in 1907, and amended in 1915, and that said congregation, as soon as it is properly incorporated, applies for admission into the Columbia Conference of the Ev. Luth. Augustana Synod of North America.

The constitution was read article by article before the adoption of the above resolutions, and the following insertions and modifications were duly moved and adopted:

Art.I #1. The legal name of this congregation shall be the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church in Astoria Oregon.

Art. IV. # 2. The number of deacons shall be not less than three(3) nor more than twelve(12) elected in such a way that 1/3 is retired and 1/3 elected each year. # 3. The number of trustees shall not be less than three(3) nor more than twelve elected in such a way that 1/3 is retired and 1/3 elected each year.

Art. VI. #5. lative to the Board of Trustees.."They shall be authorized to expend for such repairs a sum not to exceed $500.

Art. VIII. # 3. The annual congregational meeting shall be held in October. # 4. Only those persons are entitled to vote at the meetings of this congregation who are confirmed or communicant members in regular standing, etc.

Resolved that the present number of deacons and trustees be nine of each with 1/3 of said number elected for three years, 1/3 for two years, and 1/3 for one year.

The election of board members at which miss Edith Jacobson and Miss Helen Westersund served as tellers resulted as follows:

Deacons for three years, Matt Nyland, Axel Finney, and C. V. Westersund; for two years, Karl E. Soderberg, F. A. Engbretson, and J. F. Christians; for one year, Herman Benson, Carl Noberg, and William Johanson.

Trustees for three years, Gus Peterson, Emil Rasmus, and J. E. Wicks; for two years, C. A. Larson, Fritz Elfving, and Herman Slotte; for one year, J. P. Carlson, Fred Nordstrom, and William Jacobson.

Rev. G. K. Andeen was unanimously elected pastor of the congregation. Since the pastor is giving part time to the Columbia Hospital as executive secretary of the Conference for the local institution the salary by the congregation was set at $1500 a year and Christmas offering.

Misses Mabel Johnson and Ethel Wicks were elected organists with a total salary of $10 per month, with the understanding that they arrange between themselves as to their respective shares in service and remuneration.

The superintendents of the respective Sunday schools, Miss Mabel Johnson and Miss Agda Carlson, were asked to continue their services as heretofore.

The janitor service was left to be provided for by the Board of Administration.

Resolved that the fiscal year of the congregation begins October 1st and closes September 30th.

Resolved that the duplex envelope system be adopted, and that an every-member canvass be held in September each year for the purpose of securing pledges for current expenses and benevolences.

Resolved that the English language be the official language of the Congregation, and that, if preaching or singing in any other language is deemed advisable it be held at such times that it will not interfere with the regular service or program of the Congregation.

Resolved that the trustees be authorized and directed to have the Congregation incorporated as soon as possible.

Resolved that all who join this church before Dec. 1, [illegible] be recognized as charter members. [illegible] to March 1st. [illegible]

The pastor recommended the following program as to time and place for Sunday school and divine services which was agreed upon:

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. at both churches. Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock at the First Lutheran; vesper and Bible hour at 5:30 p. m. , and song and prayers service at 7:30 p. m. at the Memorial church.

Resolved that the program of the Trinity congregation goes into effect the 1st of October, 1929.

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned.

The congregation joined in the singing of the doxology whereupon the pastor led in prayer and pronounced the benediction.

----------Secretary
Agda Carlson

Read and approved at a special congregational meeting
Held Jan. 24th, 1930.

G. K. Andeen ----------Chairman
G. K. Andeen

NOTICE!

The members of the Trinity Lutheran Church are called for special congregational meeting to be held at the Memorial Lutheran church on Grand Avenue Friday evening, Jan. 24, at 7:30 for the purpose of deciding on location for a future church, and in order to elect delegates to the coming Conference and Synodical conventions.

Any and all other business that need be acted on at this time will be taken up for consideration.

Since the decision of church location is one of the most important issues that will ever come before this congregation we hope and trust that every member will try to be present.

In behalf of the Board of Administration,

G. K. ANDEEN, Chairman.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING HELD JAN. 24, 1930

The members of the Ev. Luth. Trinity Church were called for a special congregational meeting on Jan. 24, 1930 at the Memorial Lutheran church. About 50 members had responded to the call issued by the Board of Administration for the specified purpose of deciding on location for a future church, and in order to elect delegates to the coming Conference and Synodical conventions.

The meeting was opened by the singing of a hymn after which the chairmen, Rev. G. K. Andeen, led in Scripture reading and prayer. Since the secretary was absent it was moved and carried that Mrs. Carl Moberg serve as secretary pro temp.

The minutes of the previous meeting, at which the congregation was organized, were read and approved.

After a few introductory remarks by the pastor and a brief informal discussion on the part of several of the members about purchasing lots for a new church the following resolutions were presented, seconded and unanimously passed:

Resolved the the trustees of the Ev. Luth. Trinity Church be authorized, empowered, and directed to purchase the southwest corner in block 113 Shively's Addition for a quoted price of $4,800.00.

Resolved that the trustees be authorized and empowered to borrow the necessary funds for the purchase of the above mentioned property.

Resolved that the Board of Administration be authorized, empowered, and directed to move, alter, and renovate the house on the property about to be purchased in block 113 so that said building can be used for a parish hall, and a temporary place for public worship.

Upon motion by Mr. F. S. Elfving that the congregation put on a general campaign for subscriptions toward a building fund, it was Resolved that the Board of Administration be authorized and directed to institute a campaign for funds based on a four years payment plan.

By recommendation of the Board of Administration it was unanimously resolved that the charter of the Church be kept open till the 1st of March, 1930.

Mr. Herman Slotte was elected delegate to the annual convention of the Columbia Conference to be held at Bethany, Seattle, April 23-27, 1930. and Mr. J. T. Wicks was chosen alternate.

It was moved and carried that the pastor be given power to appoint delegate to represent the congregation at the coming Synodical Convention in Rock Island, Ill. next June.

Since there was no further business the meeting adjourned, and was closed in prayer.

Mrs. Carl Moberg, Secr. pro tem.

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 1930.

The congregation of the Trinity Lutheran Church was called for a special meeting on February 21, 1930. The meeting was held at the First Lutheran Church.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Andeen, and was opened with scripture reading and prayer.

This meeting was called for the purpose of giving the Board of Administration the power and right to dispose of the church properties according to their best judgment. #

A motion to this effect was made and seconded. It was carried unanimously.

After song and prayer the meeting adjourned.

Ella Moberg
Sec. Pro Tem.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OCTOBER 15, 1930.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. on October 15, 1930. The meeting was opened by Rev. G. K. Andeen with a song followed by scripture reading and prayer.

The office of Secretary was declared open. Dr. R. W. Kullberg was nominated and elected.

Roll call was dispensed with.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. These minutes concerned the meeting held February 21 for the disposal of properties.

The Pastoral Report was then read by Rev. Andeen and adopted.

The Financial Secretary's report was then read and adopted on condition of acceptance by auditors.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted on condition of acceptance by auditors.

The report on benevolences was read and adopted on condition of acceptance by auditors.

A motion was made and carried that the chairman appoint auditors. Mr. Victor Gustafson and Mr. William Johanson were appointed.

The building fund treasurer's report was read and adopted on condition of aceptance by auditors.

The Ladies' Aid Treasurer's report was read together with the floral fund and was adopted.

The Dorcas Society Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

The Luther League Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

The Sunday School Treasurer's report was read and adopted. This report was audited and found correct by Mr. E. Rasmus.

A report was given by Mr. J. E. Wicks on the cost of moving and rebuilding the old house, located on the new church property at 16th and Franklin. This report shows a total balance of unpaid bills amounting to $2564.78.

The budget made out by the administration board was read by Mr. J. E. Wicks and adopted. The budget is as follows:

For Pastors Salary -------	$1800
For Interest ----------	300
For Organist ----------	120
For Janitor ----------	120
For Taxes ----------	300
Light, Water and Fuel -----	120
Miscellaneous ----------	100
For Conference Dues -------	500
Total -----	2860

Nominations for deacons were in order. Mr. Victor Gustafson, Mr. Carl Moberg, Mr. William Johanson, and Dr. R. W. Kullberg were nominated. Mr. Gustafson, Mr. Moberg and Dr. Kullberg were elected.

Nominations for Trustees were in order. Mr. William Johanson, Mr. Fred Nordstrom, Mr. Charles Soderberg, Mr. J. P. Carlson, and Mr. Nils Rasmusson were nominated. Mr. Johanson, Mr. Soderberg, and Mr. Nordstrom were elected.

Miss Mable Johnson was nominated and unanimously elected organist.

Mrs. R. W. Kullberg was unanimously elected as Choir director.

A motion was made and carried that the election of the Sunday School Superintendent be refered to the board of administration.

Mr. Charles Soderberg was nominated for sexton and unanimously elected.

The nominees for delegate to the annual convention of the Columbia Conference were as follows: Mr. J. E. Wicks, Mr. F. S. Elving and Mr. Axel Finney. Mr. Finney was elected and Mr. J. E. Wicks was elected alternate.

Mr. Carl Moberg was elected delegate to the annual District Convention. Mr. E. Rasmus was elected alternate.

It was moved and seconded that the auditors for next year be chosen by the board of administration. The motion was carried.

Mrs. G. A. Peterson and Mr. J. F. Christiansen were appointed by the chairman to approve the minutes.

A motion was made and carried that the care of the church grounds be refered to the board of administration.

A motion was made and carried that the administration board be authorized and empowered to mortgage the church property on 16th and Franklin not to exceed $3000.

A motion was made and carried that the board of administration be authorized to take care of outstanding bills to the best of their ability.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the outgoing board members Mr. Herman Benson, deacon; and Mr. J.P. Carlson, trustee.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the Ladies' Aid and other societies.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the building committee.

A rising vote of thanks was also given to Mrs. R. W. Kullberg as choir director.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn.

R. W. Kullberg
Sect'y.

Approved by: J. F. Christiansen
Victor Gustafson

P A S T O R A L [illegible]

To the Esteemed Trinity Lutheran Congregation:

Grace and Peace!

"I can do all things in Him that strengtheneth me."
Phil. 4:13

Paul gave utterance to this divine truth when writing to the young congregation at Philippi, the first-fruit of his missionary labor in Europe. Since he was a prisoner in Rome at the time of this writing some might think that Paul would have had a good reason for writing a New Testament Book of Lamentations instead of this cheerful epistle of love, joy, and hope. But Paul had experienced the blessings of the cross. Tho Paul was in bonds the spirit and power of Paul was not bound. That power was hid in the crucified and risen Christ and could not be made void by adverse external circumstances. Paul's first visit to Philippi had been attested by this divine power, shaking the prison wherein he and Silas were then confined, opening the doors and setting the prisoners free. Years had past since then in the school of Christian faith and experience, yes, in the shadow of the cross as well as in the glorious light of the resurrection; and now, as a true and tested soldier of Christ, he exclaims triumphantly "I can do all things in Him that strengtheneth me!"

Oh, that you and I, as members of Trinity and soldiers of the Church Militant, would have faith enough in Christ to catch a little of that triumphant spirit of victorious assurance. What joy and happiness this would bring to us in our fellowship with Christ and His people, and how much more we would dare to do for Him and for one another. May this timely salutation to one another, as members of Trinity, lodge deeply in our hearts and minds so that whenever anyone is tempted to tire or seek an excuse for neglecting worship and service, the attention of such a one may be drawn to this blessed assurance that we can do all things in Him that strengthens us.

As we stand at the threshold of a new fiscal year, looking forward to the old possibilities, we offer up our thanks to the gracious Lord for the blessings of the past. He has been good to the Trinity Church in this the first year of its existence. In spite of universal economic depression we have been enabled to progress almost beyond our fondest expectations. The securing of a suitable and permanent location means more for the future progress of our Church than we now realize. [illegible] answered our prayers and efforts in providing us [illegible] finest and best location that any down town or central church could begin

He has also made it possible for us to institute a Parish house on the new location that will serve for the time being as a common place for worship as well as permanent Sunday school quarters. The congregation has also experienced a substantial increase in membership and attendance in both church and Sunday school, which is an encouraging sign from an external point of view. It beckons us with the words of Jesus to behold the field, already ripe unto harvest, that we may enter the more earnestly into the labor of the Kingdom. May we, by the grace of God, prove ourselves worthy of our opportunities and in faithful persevering prayer and work make Trinity known for its gospel message and its "labor of love" to the honor and glory of Christ and the eternal salvation and happiness of many blood-bought souls.

With your permission I shall review briefly the past and present opportunities for service and their employ.

The Means of Grace

Christ has ordained the Church to be the custodian and administrator of the Means of Grace, the Word of God and the Sacraments. No greater opportunity or previlege could be granted an institution or any human being than to be entrusted with the oracles of God. But since the possession of the Means of Grace is our greatest previlege, the right use of them becomes our greatest responsibility. Nothing is so important in the Church as faithful attendance at divine services and a reverent use of the sacraments for they are the very means by which we are enlightened and strengthened to do the will of God. We are therefore glad that we can truthfully say that a notable improvement has marked the attendance at both morning and evening services, the former held in the First Lutheran church and the latter in the Memorial Luth. church until the first Sunday in September when we moved into our new place of worship where all the services have since been held. But we regret to state that there are many who signed the charter of Trinity who have disproven their sincerity by neglecting the Means of Grace.

The Sacrament of Baptism is generally reverenced among our people, and with few exceptions it is observed at the proper time, i.e. in early infancy. The Sacrament of the Altar has been observed six times during the year with an average attendance of about 50. The attendance at the communion table, tho much improved, is not what it ought to be nor what it will be when we realize what a blessing it is for a believer to draw nigh unto our Savior in His Holy Supper. Prayer services are held from seven to eight o'clock on Saturday nights as a means of preparing Sunday school teachers and others for the Lord's day, and we bespeak for them your sincerest interest and prayerful attendance.

Bible Schools

Recognizing the need of religious training for our children and young people no efforts have been spared in order that Trinity might do its share in this particular field of religious activity. Sunday schools have been conducted in both the First Lutheran and the Memorial Lutheran churches until the midle of July when followed a six weeks' vacation. The first Sunday in September the Sunday schools united at the opening of the Parish house. Misses Agda Carlson and Mable Johnson have served as superintendents of the Sunday school assisted by from ten to fifteen officers and teachers. The average combined attendance of the schools was between 90 and 100 with an enrollment of 115. From present observations the enrollment should reach 150 before the end of this year. We are deeply appreciative of the work and faithfulness of devoted teachers and officers in the Sunday school, and pray for God's richest blessings upon this "labor of love" so pregnant with posibilities for future spiritual and moral developments.

Confirmation instruction is given on Saturday mornings thruout the winter months, beginning in September. Last year six boys and girls availed themselves of this opportunity, and this year eighteen are enrolled in the confirmation class. Religious instruction is also offered the adults during the regular Sunday school hour in the Bible class conducted by Dr. R. W. Kullberg.

Church Auxiliaries

Considerable assistance and inspiration has been enjoyed by the splendid efforts and co-operation of our societies comprising the Ladies' Aid, the Dorcas, the Luther League, and the Woman's Missionary organizations. The Aid and the Luther League have met twice a month, Dorcas once a month, and the Missionary society every other month. The Ladies' Aid in particualr has had a splendid growth both numerically and in its ability to help not only financially but also morally and spiritually by its larger influence for good.

Church Music

Miss Mable Johnson has served as organist during the year assited by Misses Helen Westersund, and Ehtel Wicks, and others. A church choir was organized for the Christmas season directed by Mrs. A. Engbretson, but failed to appear after the Hlidays. Another earnest effort has been made this fall, and is still in the making, directed by Mrs. R. W. Kullberg. We are pleased and gratefull to have the choir appear regularly at the Sunday services, and we hope that the continuance of this may be made possible by the willing co-operation of all members and friends endowed with the ability to sing.

The Board of Administration

The Board of Administration consisting of the deacons and the trustees elected at the organization meeting of the congregation last fall met for organization shortly after the election. With the pastor as ex officio chairman the following organization was effected: Rec. Secr., J. F. Wicks, Fin. Secr., Emil Rasmus, Treas. F. S. Elfving, Fin. Secr. and Treas. of Benevolences, J. F. Christians. The Board has met once a month, and for special meetings at the call of the pastor. The members have, with few exceptions, tried to do their best under circumstances that have some times been rather trying because of the newness of the congregation and the purchase of property and building project involved. The Board has tried in every detail to fulfill the expressed desire of the congregation, and work for the best interest of all concerned. [illegible] especially grateful to the secretaries for their willing and unselfish work, realizing, as we do, that the envelope system used requires considerable attention and labor.

In carrying out the building program the Board elected a building committee consisting of J. F. Wicks, chairman, C. A. Larson, treas., Wm. Jacobson, V. Westersund, Matt Nyland and the pastor member ex officio. at the death of Mr. Jacobson, F. S. Elfving was chosen to fill the vacancy.

The Board members whose term expires at this time are as follows: Deacons, Herman Benson, William Johanson, and Carl Noberg; Trustees, J. P. Carlson, Fred Nordstrom, and the vacancy left by our sainted friend and brother in Christ, William Jacobson.

Finances and Property

Upon informations received from J. F. Christians that the property on the corner of 16th and Franklin was for sale at $4,800 cash, the Board of Administration ordered a congregational meeting for the purpose of deciding whether or no the congregation should by said property. At this meeting, held last January, it was decided unanimously to purchase the above mentioned property at the price quoted, and the Trustees were authorized to borrow the money needed. At a consequent meeting, after the property had been secured, it was decided to move and alter the house on said property so that it could be used as a parish house and a temporary place for worship. It was further ordered that the other properties owned by the congregation be held for sale.

In consequence of the above decisions we have now a central place where we hope the Trinity congregation will develop into a strong and influential American Lutheran Church worthy of Astoria's great Lutheran population.

The financial situation will be revealed in the printed financial reports, which will show a decided progress over past experiences. May I mention here, however, that the congregation decided at a special meeting

to put on a subscription campaign the payments of which would cover a period of four years. Some of the members have given their pledges and also paid a considerable part of it, but others have not responded either because they have not been approached or because of a failing heart in this matter. We hope that every one who is able will gladly do according as the Lord has prospered and provided means. Let us all work together even in this matter and when victory comes we shall all rejoice together.

There are quite a few members who signed the charter but have utterly failed to back up their name and decision by contributing toward the support of the Church. The reason for this is undoubtedly that they have not given a serious thought to the need of the Church and the consequence of their attitude. All that is necessary is to ponder the question, "If every member did as I do what kind of a Church would we have?" Should the answer be that it could not exist, it simply means that I am automatically eliminating myself from the Church by the stand I take. Oh, that we all might become Macedonians in both living and giving (II Cor. 8:1-5).

Special Meetings and Occasions

The 19th of November last year your pastor was installed in his office in conjunction with the meeting of the Portland District. The 23-24 of last month the Portland District again convened as guests of Trinity. This time the Parish house was dedicated. Both of these occasions were full of meaning and importance to pastor and congregation, and we hope that the consequent history of Trinity will prove that they were links in a divine chain that will cause many to become bondservants of Christ and heirs of eternal life.

Trinity Messenger

A special messenger has arisen in Trinity to serve as asistant pastor and as such make monthly visits to the homes of the parish. He comes in the form of a parish paper published in the in crest of the Church, and asks for a courteous reception and a few moments attention whenever he pays a visit.

Ministerial Acts

Eighteen children have been baptized during the year; six children and four adults confirmed; two weddings performed; and twenty funerals conducted.

The entire membership of the congregation is about 350, of which about 275 are confirmed members. For lack of exact records and possible losses the exact number will not be computed until a little later when the statistics for the Conference is prepared.

Sympathy and Appreciation

The Lord has visited and unusually large number of our homes this past year reminding us all of the fact that we have not here an abiding city. Death with its pang has been experienced by the removal of the following beloved members of Trinity thru the final summon from onhigh: Victor Carlson, Mrs. Axel Finney, Mrs. Marie Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. William Jacobson, August Olson, Helen Elvera Soderberg, Andrew Young, and Mrs. Edward Young. These blessed friends have left a deeply felt vacancy in our midst. But in hope will we cherish their memory, and with joy rather than with sadness will we think of them, since the believer's fulness of life is in the future and not in the past. May therefore the comfort of the Spirit of the ever-living Christ be with all the bereaved and point the way to a happy reunion in the abode of the blessed.

In closing we would express our sincere gratitude to God for all spiritual and temporal blessings received and manifested in our common work. We have reviewed briefly the visible expressions of these blessings. The spiritual fruits He alone can view in their actual appearance. But we trust that they are not altogether wanting.

We would also thank most sincerely all organizations and individuals who in one way or another have rendered loyal support during the past year. I am especially mindful of the generous gift that came as a legacy from our sainted friend and benefactor, Mr. Andrew Young, thru which he still speaks to us of his love and loyalty to the Church. #

And now unto the God and Father be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

G. K. Andeen, Pastor

Astoria, Ore., October 15, 1930.

Disbursements

First Luth. Church on Pledge	$148.00
Trinity Church	480.57
Flowers	11.00
Gift to August Olson	5.00
Miscelaneous	53.08
Balance on hand Sept. 30	81.98
Total	$779.63

Mrs. F. S. Elfving, Treas.

Floral Fund

Receipts thru Collections	$16.77
Disbursements for Flowers	9.25
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1930	7.52

Mrs. William Paulsen, Treas.

DORCAS SOCIETY

Receipts

Collections	$ 24.45
Dues	14.40
Annual Sale	78.80
Dividend from Bank	.52
Total	$118.17

Disbursements

Pledge to Church	$ 50.00
To Building Fund	35.00
Fancywork	12.81
Flowers	5.50
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1930	14.86
Total	$118.17

Signe Enberg, Treas.

Audited and found correct,
Esther Larson,
Ellen Palo, Auditing Committee.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts

Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1929	$ 16.98
Home Mission Festival	23.46
Annual Dues	12.00
Collections and Donation	41.26
Dime Books	5.60
Dividend from Bank	1.12
Total	$100.42

Disbursements

Home Mission	$ 26.00
Annuals	13.00
Dime Books	5.00
Bethphage Mission	5.00
Africa Mission	5.00
Christmas Cheer-Fund	5.00
Contingent Fund	2.60
Ledger	1.00
Balance on hand Sept. 30th	37.82
Total	$100.42

Mrs. Maria F. Lidberg, Treas.

LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts

Collections	$ 75.72
From First Luth. Church League	22.66
Dividends from Bank	11.72
Sale of Xmas Cards	29.00
A. E. Engbretson, donation	7.25
G. Washington Social	21.55
Mothers' Day Program	27.79
Total	$195.69

Disbursements

Rev. A. G. Anderson, debt	$ 10.55
Xmas Cards and Express	16.35
Church Building Fund	50.00
Portland District L. L.	35.00
Miscelaneous	15.12
Balance Sept. 30, 1930	68.67
Total	$195.69

Harriet Westerlund, Treas.

REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Receipts

Thru Envelopes	$245.78
Thanksgiving Offering	14.00
From Church Treasurer	82.50
Easter Offering	29.76
Total	$372.04

Disbursements

To Conference Budget	$340.00
Lutheran World Service	14.00
Balance on Hadn Sept. 30, 1930	18.04
Total	$372.04

J. F. Christians, Treas.

Financial Reports

October 1, 1929—September 30, 1930

Trinity Lutheran Church

Astoria, Oregon
G. K. ANDEEN, Pastor

Name	Gen'l Fund Pledged	Gen'l Fund Paid	Conf. Budget Pledged	Conf. Budget Paid
Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Andeen	$78.00	$78.00	$26.00	$26.00
Miss Laura Anderson	5.20	5.20	2.60	2.70
Mr. and Mrs. H. Benson	13.00	13.00	5.20	5.10
Miss Alice Benson	5.20	5.20		.60
Mr. and Mrs. J. Benson		5.00		
Miss Anna Bergman	20.80	21.15	5.20	4.60
Mrs. A. Birch	5.20	5.25		1.30
Mr. Oscar Birch		6.00		
Mr. Charles Birch		10.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Emil Bjork	20.80	5.50		1.40
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Carlson	39.00	39.00	12.80	12.80
Mrs. Victor Carlson	10.00	10.00		
Miss Agda Carlson	12.00	12.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carlson		3.00		
Mrs. Ida J. Carlson	13.00	12.25		.90
Mr. and Mrs. Axel Cedarberg	13.60	8.80		
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Christians	39.00	39.00	5.20	5.20
Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Dahlgren		.25		.05
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Edling	13.00	13.00	5.20	5.20
Mrs. Werner Eklund	6.00	6.00		
Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Elfving	50.00	50.00		
Mrs. Maria Elfving		5.60		.19
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elfving		.25		
Miss Signe Enberg	26.00	26.00	5.20	5.00
Mrs. A. Engbretson	10.40	13.00	2.60	3.30
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Engbretson	52.00	51.00		
Mrs. Tillie Erickson		3.00		.20
Mr. Axel Finney	20.80	24.80	2.60	1.25
Mr. Edward Finney		5.75		.10
Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Grimstad	26.00	23.15		1.60
Mr. and Mrs. Victor Gustafson	20.80	21.20	5.20	5.20
Miss Anita Gustafson	7.80	7.80		
Mrs. Ben Gustafson		9.75		1.95
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Haggblom		10.00		
Miss Hulda Haggblom		5.00		
Miss Ida Hagglund		2.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Axel Hagnas	10.40	2.40		
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hansen	10.40	2.55		.61
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hendrickson	10.40	1.40		.35
Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hendrickson		5.00		
Mr. and Mrs. I. Herman	5.20	3.20		1.60
Mr. August Hildebrand		13.00		.10
Mrs. Maria Holmes	60.00	40.00		
Miss Agnes Holmes		2.55		
Miss Ida Holmes		3.65		.30
Miss Edith Peterson Holmes	6.00			
Miss Jennie Holmgren	13.00	7.75		3.10
Mrs. Henry Hoseney		6.00		
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hoyer	13.00	13.00	5.20	5.20
Mr. and Mrs. Victor Jackson	13.00	11.75		.15
Mr. and Mrs. Axel Jacobson		5.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jacobson		6.75		2.25
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johanson	26.00	26.00	2.60	3.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Johanson	10.40	2.45		.55
Mr. and Mrs. Will Johanson	13.00	13.00		3.40
Mr. and Mrs. August Johnson	13.00	2.00		
Miss Mable Johnson	10.40	10.40	2.60	2.35
Mr. and Mrs. Gust Johnson		.65		.50
Mrs. Martin Johnson		8.85		2.00
Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Kullberg	13.00	14.00	2.60	2.70
Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Larson	26.00	26.00	5.20	4.85
Margaret E. Larson	2.60	.10		
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Larson	26.00	26.00		
Miss Margaret L. Larson		5.00		
Miss Edith D. Larson		5.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Larson	6.50	6.50		2.75
Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Larson		10.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Lebeck		1.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lebeck		1.75		
Maurice Lebeck	2.60			.05
Mrs. Maria F. Lidberg	26.00	26.00	5.20	5.20
Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Lofgren	5.00	4.50		.15
Mrs. Emil Lofgren	13.00	5.50		
Mrs. Edla Mattson	13.00	13.00	2.60	3.09
Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Moberg	26.00	26.00	5.20	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Nels Nelson		1.50		
Miss Esther Nelson	13.00	13.00	5.20	5.20
Miss Cora Nelson	13.00	12.75	5.20	5.10
Mrs. Johanna Norberg	5.20	5.20	2.60	2.65

Miss Ethel Nordquist	5.20	1.70		1.70
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nordstrom	13.00	13.00	5.20	5.20
Mr. and Mrs. Matt Nyland	26.00	26.00		6.30
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Paulson		1.00		.45
Mrs. Bertha Pearson		7.95		.45
Mrs. Ruth E. Peterson		4.90		
Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Peterson		24.00		.15
Mr. and Mrs. Emil Rasmus	15.60	15.60	5.20	[illegible]
Enid Rasmus	7.80	7.80		
R. E. Rasmus	7.80	7.80		
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Sakrison		.15		
Mr. and Mrs. George Salvon	7.80	7.80		.25
Sigvald E. Satre		5.00		
Mrs. Sophie Sjosten	13.00	10.[illegible]0		2.[illegible]5
Mr. and Mrs. H. Slotte	26.00	26.00		8.40
Mr. and Mrs. John Slotte	26.00	26.00		6.40
Mr. Carl E. Soderberg	13.00	13.00	5.20	5.35
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Soderberg	15.60	16.30		4.55
Mr. and Mrs. Felix Soderberg	20.80	20.90	5.20	5.30
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swanson	7.80	7.40		3.80
Selma Swanson	7.80	6.00		2.00
Mrs. Hannah Swanson		5.00		
Mr. J. M. V. Titus	10.40	10.00		
Mrs. Edith Titus	10.40	10.00		
Mrs. Elsie Verschuren	5.20	2.90		1.30
Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Verschuren	10.40	3.36		.79
Mrs. Andrew West	12.70			.50
Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Westersund	26.00	26.00	5.20	5.20
Helen Westersund	7.80	7.80	5.20	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Westersund		10.00		
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wicks	39.00	39.00	13.00	13.00
Ethel Wicks		10.00		
Miss Agnes Young	20.00	20.00		
Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Yost		13.00		3.00
Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Bendstrup		15.00		
Esther Larson		8.50		
Otto Pearson		2.25		
Unknown		5.00		

The following box numbers are also reported without the names of the owners being turned in:

Box 7	$2.50	Box 132	.25
Box 33	.10	Box 142	1.25
Box 34	.70	Box 134	1.75
Box 74	5.00	Box 144	.35
Box 85	.80	Box 159	.25
Box 114	$11.70		

Dear Member:

Please look over the above statement to see if your name is there and if you have been credited corrctly. Should you find any error relative to your contribution, please report it in a spirit of love and helpfulness. It is easy to make a mistake in spite of our desire to have everything correct. And, now, if your name does not appear on the above list because you have failed in the stewartship intrusted to you by the Master I hope you will resolve to see a change for the better in the next report.

To all contributors I wish to express in behalf of the Board of Administration a most sincere Thank You!

Your servant in Christ,
G. K. ANDEEN, Pastor.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

For fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1930

Receipts

Thru Envelopes	$ 1,312.11
Collections	246.47
Initial Offering	7.90
Rent for Parsonage	112.00
From First Lutheran Church	82.18
From Memorial Luth. Church	33.06
Ladies' Aid	450.31
Christmas Offering	79.26
From Andrew Young's Estate	2,000.00
Loan from First Nat. Bank	5,000.00
Loan from Bank of Commerce	500.00
Finnish Luth. Church for Organ	450.00
Total	$10,273.29
Turned over to the Treasurer	$10,273.29

Emil Rasmus, Fin. Secr.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

From the Financial Secretary	$10,273.29
From Other Sources	24.11
Total	$10,297.40

Disbursements

Salaries	$1,689.26
Gas and Light	57.04
Water	52.80
To Treas. of Benevolences	82.18
The New Church Property	4,845.00
Taxes	46.65
Insurance	40.80
Building Fund	640.00
Interest	70.00
Paid on Loan to First Nat. Bank	2,000.00
Paid on Loan to Bank of Commerce	450.00
Miscellaneous	171.74
	$10,14[illegible]
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1930	[illegible]
Total	$1[illegible]

F. S. Elfving, Treas.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Receipts

Balance Oct. 1, 1929	$ [illegible]
Collections First Luth. S. S.	40.96
Collect's Memorial S. S.	17.60
Special Offerings and Miscel	76.39
Total	$[illegible]

Disbursements

Agustana Book Concern, Books and Papers	$141.07
U. L. C. Publishing House	16.80
Church Building Fund	50.00
Miscellaneous	37.59
Balance on Hand Sept. 30, 1930	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]

Howard Backlund, Treas.

BUILDING FUND TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Thru labor and material as per acknowledgment in the Messenger	$985.05
Mrs. J. Norberg	5.00
Dorcas Society	35.00
Carl E. Johanson	20.00
Mrs. R. Swanson	10.00
Altoona Pkg. Co.	15.00
Oscar Birch	10.00
Trinity Luther League	50.00
Church Treasurer	640.00
Conrad Grimstad	25.00
J. P. Carlson	50.00
F. S. Elfving	75.00
Trinity Sunday School	50.00
J. F. Christians	25.00
A. E. Engbretson	45.00
Karl E. Soderberg	25.00
Carl Moberg	100.00
G. K. Andeen	100.00
Dr. R. W. Kullberg	15.00
Cash for Kettle	5.00
Total	$[illegible]

Disbursements

Sherman Transfer Co.	$ 22.50
Oscar Birch	34.00
Howard Blakely	19.50
Arthur Johnson	21.00
Kalle Jurvakainen	8.00
V. Westersund	72.50
Ragnor Swenson	6.00
August Johnson	32.50
Ed Lebeck	36.00
Herman Benson	40.00
Matt Nyland	150.00
Adolph Johnson	8.00
Larson Electric Store	50.00
C. L. Stiemke, organ bldr.	474.50
Freight on Blower for organ	28.[illegible]
Fisher Bros. Co.	12.00
H. F. Prael	10.00
Interest on Loans	134.00
Seaborg Tfr. Co.	10.31
Cash Paid out	$1,2[illegible]
Labor and material as per donation	[illegible]
Balance on hand Oct. 9, 1930	[illegible]
Total	$2,[illegible]

C. A. Larson, Treas.

LADIES' AID

Receipts

Collections at Meetings	$[illegible]
Annual Sale	[illegible]
Spring Sale	[illegible]
Cooking Sale	[illegible]
Fellowship Dinner	[illegible]
Donations	15[illegible]
Silver Tea	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]

R E P O R T October 15, 1930

REPORT OF THE COST OF MOVING AND REBUILDING THE OLD HOUSE, LOCATED ON THE NEW CHURCH PROPERTY 16th and FRANKLIN AVE. The building to be used by the Trinity Lutheran Church, and called the P A R I S H H O U S E; until the new church is built. This report also give the value of labor and material DONATED to the Congregation and the balance due for material and labor, to date.

Name	Kind of Service	Value	Donated	Paid by cash	Balance Due	Total
City Lumber and Supply Co.	Lumber	$463.30			$463.30	$463.30
Brookfield Co.	Material	111.20			111.20	111.20
C.A.Larson,	Labor & Hauling	123.00	$123.00			135.00
F.G.Holton,	Plastering	101.00	20.00		81.00	101.00
E.P.Myers,	Lathing	36.00	10.00		26.00	36.00
Peder Gimre,	Mouldings	13.25			13.25	13.25
John Anderson,	Plumbing	126.46			126.46	126.46
Ed [illegible].	Installing Furnace	80.00			80.00	80.00
Larson Electric Store,	Electric Wiring	237.23		$50.00	187.23	237.23
Puusti & Co.	Hardware	24.35			24.35	24.35
Fisher Bros.Co.	"	19.68	3.05	11.00	5.63	19.68
John Slotte & Co.	Labor and/Hauling------	84.75	84.75			84.75
Herman Slotte,	Work & Mat'l	18.00	18.00			18.00
G.Fitzgibbons,	Glass	2.50	2.50			2.50
Carl Johanson,	Painting	718.61	82.45		636.16	718.61
John Hellstrom,	Brick work	66.00	50.00		16.00	66.00
Pet. Lagerson,	" "	36.00	12.00		24.00	36.00
P. Parker,	labor " "	28.00		28.00		28.00
Pacific [illegible]	Mill work	29.00			29.00	29.00
Mrs. [illegible],	Plumbing fix.	41.25	41.25			41.25
J.E.Wicks,	Arch. & Material	145.00	145.00			145.00
Matt Nyland,	Carpentry	735.00	100.00	150.00	485.00	735.00
V.Westersund-	"	376.00	100.00	50.00	226.00	376.00
Adolph Johnson	"	110.00	30.00	80.00		110.00
L.Henriksson	"	28.00	28.00			28.00
Hilmer Lofgren	"	2.00	2.00			2.00
Ed. Lebeck	House Mover	62.50	30.00	32.50		62.50
State of Ore. Comp.		14.60		14.60		14.60
Sherman Transf. Co.		22.50		22.50		22.50
Renting of tillers		8.00		8.00		8.00
Renting of blocks		8.00		8.00		8.00
Acc. Insurance		10.00		10.00		10.00
Building permit		1.00		1.00		1.00
Total						

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Name.	Kind of Service	Value	Donated	Paid by cash	Balance Due	Total
Forwarded		$3882.38	882.00	465.60	2534.75	3882.38
Oscar Birch	- Labor	$34.00	$10.00	$24.00		$34.00
Arthur Johnson	"	21.00		21.00		21.00
Howard Blakely	"	19.50		19.50		19.50
Palmer Johnson	"	10.00	4.00	6.00		10.00
August Johnson	"	62.50	30.00	32.50		62.50
Andrew Hanson	"	5.00	5.00			5.00
William Carlson	"	15.00	15.00			15.00
C.A.Soderberg	"	15.00	15.00			15.00
Axel Pinney	"	4.50	4.50			4.50
P.J.Elfvinns' Estate	"	10.00	10.00			10.00
J.Nelson	"	102.50	32.50	40.00	30.00	102.50
A.Becklund	"	2.00	2.00			2.00
E.Rasmus- Hauling & Labor		10.00	10.00			10.00
J.Gustafson "	& "	10.00	10.00			10.00
J.Simonson	"	5.00	5.00			5.00
J.J.Sojar	"	5.00	5.00			5.00
Grand Total		$4,216.38	1043.00	605.60	2564.75	$4,216.38

Respectfully submitted

G.E.Fiske

Architect

Cost of moving and installing the organ-

Blower	$270.00
Labor L.C.Stiemke	175.00
Freight	26.37
Building space for Organ	
	211.62
Total	$ 684.99

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of North America

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
ASTORIA, OREGON

April 6, 1931

To the esteemed Trinity Lutheran Congregation,
Astoria, Oregon

Beloved Friends:

Grace and Peace!

[illegible] the Lord "whose I am, whom also I serve" is calling me back to New England whence I came to the Columbia Conference fourteen years ago.

Although I regret leaving the Trinity Church and the many Christian friends to whom I have become deeply attatched as pastor, I feel that the Lord has, during my short stay of two years, permitted me to realize that distinctive phase of the work for which He called me to Astoria.

I am grateful for the privilege and share that has been mine in helping to unite the churches and plan the future course toward a stronger united Lutheran Church in this city. And, now, as I tender my resignation to take effect July 1, 1931, I do so in full assurance that God will direct and guide this congregation in the choice of a pastor, who will, by the grace of God, lead Trinity to great victories for Christ and His Kingdom.

I want to express my sincere thanks to all who have given their hearty co-operation in the kingdom work, and assure you of Mrs. Andeen's and my own personal interest in the future of Trinity and our sincere intercessory prayers for an abundance of spiritual blessings.

Yours in Christ,

[illegible], Pastor

MEETING OF APRIL 22, 1931.

The resignation of Rev. Andeen was read and accepted.

A motion was made and carried that the congregation proceed to discuss the calling of a new minister.

A committee of three was chosen to find possible candidates for the pastorate, since at that time no satisfactory candidate was agreed upon. This was made upon motion. Those chosen on this committee were: Rev. Andeen, Mr. Carl Moberg, and Dr. Kullberg.

It was moved and seconded that the salary be $2400.00 in all, including the Christmas offering.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn until the following Thursday.

MEETING OF APRIL 30, 1931.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. G. K. Andeen.

After singing a number of hymns Rev. Andeen led the scripture reading and prayer.

The secretary of the congregation was absent, so J. E. Wicks was appointed Secretary Pro Tem.

The pastor reported on the work of the committee for finding a new pastor. He read replies to letters and telegrams sent to various pastors to find out if they would consider a call to Astoria. Answers were from the following: S. Johnson, of Portland; Bloomquist, of Chicago: Henry, of California: and Oliver, of Moscow, Idaho.

After a short discussion, Victor Westersund made a motion to send a call to Rev. R. P. Oliver. The motion was seconded by J. F. Christians. The chairman called for a standing vote. The vote was unanimous. There were seventy-three voting.

The secretary was instructed to wire and write call to Rev. R. P. Oliver.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to pay the new pastor $2400.00 per year, including Christmas offering.

It was also decided to call a student pastor to serve until the regular pastor arrives.

On motion it was left with the old committee of Deacons to decide the salary, and it was decided that the salary be $125.00 per month.

Motion was made and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

MEETING OF JUNE 3, 1931.

The meeting for the purpose of calling a new pastor was called to order by Rev. G. K. Andeen.

A number of hymns were sung by the congregation, followed by scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Andeen.

The secretary read the minutes of the two former meetings. These were approved. It was announced that Rev. Oliver had declined call received at meeting on April 30. It was also announced that student Harold Bjorklund accepted call to serve during the vacancy. #

The pastor reported on the work of the committee for finding a possible candidate for the new pastor.

He read the reply received from Rev. C. W. Johnson, of Boise, Idaho. The discussion following was entirely in favor of calling Rev. Johnson, and resulted in a motion by Mr. Soderberg that Rev. Johnson be called. This motion was seconded by Dr. K. W. Kullberg. #

The chairman called for a standing vote. The vote was unanimous. There were eighty votes cast, some of which were by proxy. The secretary was instructed to wire and write call to Rev. C. W. Johnson.

It was also moved that the salary be $2400.00, plus Christmas offering.

It was moved and seconded that Rev. Wahlstrom be asked to act as Vice-Pastor during the vacancy.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Boise, Idaho

July 13, 1931

To the Church Council of the
Ev. Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon,

Grace and Peace!

I take this opportunity to reply to the call received from the Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon. After due and earnest consideration of the call I have come to the decision to reply in the negative.

I appreciate very highly the confidence expressed in the action of your congregation. Circumstances have very clearly indicated to me, however, that I ought not, at this time, leave my present charge.

Praying that God will before long send you a faithful pastor, I am

Very respectfully yours,

E. W. Johnson

R. W. KULLBERG, M. D.
ASTORIA, OREGON

MINUTES OF MEETING, AUGUST 12, 1931.

The Congregational meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Astoria for the purpose of calling a pastor was called to order by Rev. Samuel Johnson of Portland, Vice Pastor. The meeting was opened by singing Hymn 265. Rev. Johnson then lead in Scripture reading (Rev. 1: 4-20) and prayer.

The secretary read the minutes of the former meeting held June 3. These were approved.

The secretary then read the report of the Board of Deacons recommending Rev. J. A. Martin, Wakefield, Nebraska, as candidate for call.

Mr. Herman Slotte moved that the candidate, Rev. J. A. Martin, be called. Mr. Fred Berlstrom seconded the motion. Each member present voted as name was called. The result was a unanimous vote for the candidate recommended.

It was voted that the salary offered be $2400.00 plus Christmas offering.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg
Secretary.

Checked

Ladies Society. 1930-1931.

Cash on hand from 1930	14	86
Dues	19	50
Collection	33	11
Annual Sale	87	50
Dividend from bank		26
	155	23

Disbursements

Building fund	50 -	✓
Trinity Church	100 -	✓
Advertising	1 50	✓
Flowers	1 -	✓
Fancywork	1 50	✓
Total	154	00
Cash on hand Oct 1-1931	1	23

Signe Enberg. Treas.

Report of the Ladies Aid Society
TRINTY LUTHERN CHURCH

From Oct. 1,1930 to Oct. 1,1931

Receipts

Collections at mettings	$195.15
Annal Sale	502.87
Cooking Sale	63.75
Donations	20.00
Dividend from Bank	8.99
Selling Stove First Church	10.00
	[illegible]00.76
Balance from 1930	87.81
	[illegible]
	806.80
Balance on hand	$ 81.77

Disbursements

Building Fund	$250.00
Church Treasury	400.00
Flowers	18.75
Laundry	11.08
Misc.	25.21
Groceries And Mdse.	91.76
Red Cross	10.00
	[illegible]

Women's No. 1.

Disbursements

Home Mission	$2900 ✓
Dues	17 00 ✓
Miss Dow sent Salary for two years	2000 ✓
Home books "	11 10 ✓
Bethfage "	10 00 ✓
African " "	10 00 ✓
Girls home Vancouver B.C.	7 50 ✓
Christmas cheer fund - one year	5 00 ✓
Admission Fee Fund	2 90 ✓
In Memoriam [illegible]	13 00 ✓
Medical Field Sec. Fund	3 50 ✓
" Mission	3 50 ✓
Home for the Aged at Seattle	[illegible] ✓
Literature	1 00 ✓
Girls home New York	1 00 ✓
Dues from Junior Mission Band	5 25 ✓
Girls home New York from rent	1 00 ✓
Balance on hand Oct. 1st 1931	14
Total	14201

Receipts

from Oct 1st 1930 to Oct 1st 1931

Balance on hand Oct 1930	$3[illegible]
Home Mission Festival	22 70
Dues	18 50
Collections	4[illegible]
Donations	15 00
Dividend from Bank	56
Dues from Junior Mission Band	5 25
Young Women's home Sew Club	1 00
Total	[illegible]

Mrs. T. Lidley

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from E. Rasmus, Secretary	$2528.77	
Other Income	32.23	
Disbursements:		
Salaries		$1574.25
Light		39.48
Water		26.70
Gas		4.45
Building Fund		250.00
Fire Insurance		33.00
Interest		23.33
Conference Dues		60.00
Church Envelopes		17.23
Augustana Book Concern		43.55
Miscellaneous Bills		325.09
Total Disbursements		$2597.08
Balance October 1, 1931		163.92
Total Income	$2561.00	$2561.00

(Signed) Herman Slotte, Treas.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Envelopes	$1309.67
Collections	243.62
Ladies' Aid	400.00
Dorcas Society	100.00
Sunday School	50.00
House Rent	62.50
Back Dues	90.60
Christmas Offering	70.00
Returned Check	17.23
Trinity Messenger	14.30
Initial Offering	7.65
Invested (Insurance)	4.50
TOTAL	$2369.07

(Signed) Emil Rasmus, Fin. Sec.

REPORT
of
Sunday School Treasurer of
Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria, Oregon

Year ending October 1, 1931.

Balance on Hand October 1, 1930		$ 69.12
RECEIPTS:		
Regular Offerings	$240.96	
Easter Offering	18.40	
Christmas Offering	21.52	
Dividend Check	1.50	
Bal. from Lem. Church	17.28	
Total Receipts		$299.66
Total Bal. and Receipts		$368.78
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Regular Supplies	$117.10	
Christmas, Easter, Etc.	15.00	
Building Fund	100.00	
Total Disbursements		[illegible].10
[illegible] October 1, 1931, in First Nat. Bank		[illegible]

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Backlund
Treas. of Trinity Lut.
Sunday School, Astoria, Ore.

The Annual Congregational Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Oct. 7, 1931.

The meeting was opened by scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Samuel Johnson, Vice Pastor. Introductory remarks were made by Rev. Samuel Johnson, acting as chairman for the meeting.

The following reports were read and accepted subject to approval by the auditors:

Financial Secretary's report, Treasurer's report, Benevolence Treasure's report, Financial Report of the Ladies Aid, Financial Report of the Dorcas Society, and the Missionary Society's Report. The following reports have not yet been at hand: Sunday School Treasury's Report, Building Fund Report, Report on the Luther League, and the Junior Mission Band. These reports that were not at hand will be submitted for approval and acceptance by the Board of Administration according to motion made.

Nominations were then open for Deacons and Trustees for the following year. The result of the nomination for Deacons was as follows: Mr. Christians, Mr. Engbretson, Mr. Carl Soderberg. It was moved and carried that these individuals be unanimously elected. The result of the nomination for Trustees was as follows: Capt. C. A. Larsen Capt. F. S. Elfving, Mr. H. Slotte. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for these.

Miss Agda Carlson was unanimously elected Sunday School Superintendent, and Miss Ethel Wicks and Miss Helen Westersund were nominated for assistant Superintendent. Miss Ethel Wicks was elected by ballot.

It was moved and passed that the Board of Administration arrange for an organist to serve out the year. Miss Ethel Wicks volunteered to serve for the months of October, November and December. Mrs. R. W. Kullberg was unanimously elected choir director.

It was moved and passed that the Board of Administration [illegible] of all arrangements for janitors.

Delegates for the District Convention were then in order, [illegible] Mrs Rasmussen was elected as delegate from this district. In case she should be unable to be present, Mr. Gust Peterson was [illegible]. Dr. R. W. Kullberg was then elected to act [illegible] Conference Convention. Capt. C. A. Larson was [illegible] Kullberg [illegible] present.

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It was moved and passed that the Sunday School be allowed the month of August and the first Sunday in September for their summer vacation.

A motion was then made and carried that Mrs. R. W. Kullberg be chairman of the Music Committee, and that she appoint four other members to this committee to assist her in the work. Those appointed as members to this committee were: Ethel Wicks, Helen Westersund, Mr. A. E. Engbretson, and Howard Backlund.

As there was no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made and carried that it be adjourned.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg, Secretary

R. W. Kullberg Secy.

Minutes of the special Congregational Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church held April 5, 1952, for the purpose of considering plans of financing a new church building.

The meeting was opened by Scripture Reading and Prayer by Rev. Martin.

The Pastor presented the purpose of the meeting. He [illegible]ted that legal notice had been given as provided in the by-laws [illegible] the church. He stated that several meetings had been held by the [illegible]rd of Trustees to consider the possible means of financing a new [illegible]rch building. After giving the matter due consideration the [illegible]d agreed that the life insurance plan was the only one to be considered and that the Board decided to present it to the Congregation [illegible] a whole for their consideration.

Mr. Edward Finney was called upon to present the plan [illegible]posed by the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. Briefly [illegible] plan is as follows:

The members of the Congregation are to advance in cash [illegible] amount of money that they feel that they can loan the Congregation [illegible] the building of a new church. Instead of issuing a note for this [illegible]vance by the member, the Congregation will issue to the member a [illegible]ife insurance policy on the members life or some member of his family [illegible] is acceptable to him. The life insurance policy is to be in such [illegible]t so that the cash surrender value of the policy will be equal to [illegible] money advanced in twenty years. The Congregation agrees to pay [illegible] premium on these policies during the life of the contract. It was [illegible]inted out that should the sum of $80,000. be raised by this method [illegible] annual premium on the policies would amount to approximately [illegible],000., the first year and would gradually decrease each succeeding [illegible] depending on the dividend declared by the insurance company.

Mr. Emil Rasmus expressed himself as favorable to this [illegible]n and considered it the best one that the Congregation could adopt.

Mr. John Wicks asked if at the end of twenty years, the [illegible] could continue his policy or whether he would have to cancel [illegible]

[illegible] canvass th[illegible]

[illegible] asked if we obligated ourselves to the [illegible] this plan. Mr. [illegible] Lundretson pro[illegible]bted the advisability of mortgaging [illegible], which this plan proposed to do.

[illegible]en, the motion was unanimously [illegible]

[illegible] plan. Mr. John [illegible]icks [illegible] the proposed church would cost a[illegible]ro i[illegible]tely [illegible]. This was a preliminary estimate and would have to be veri- [illegible] a more careful analysis of the items entering into the cost.

It was moved by Mr. Carl Noberg and seconded by Mr. [illegible] that [illegible]50,000. be the goal set in this campaign. Motion was [illegible] unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mr. Backlund [illegible]e a committee of twelve to solicit the pledges. Motion [illegible].

The following members were nominated and elected to the [illegible]: Mrs. Noberg, Mrs V. Gustafson, Mrs C. Peterson, Mrs [illegible], Mr. John Wicks, Mr. Herman Slotte, Mr. Weaver, Mr. L. [illegible], Mr. Carl Nyland, Mrs. Chas. Larson, Mrs. [illegible]ter and [illegible].

Rev. Martin was appointed as the member in charge of the [illegible].

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of the special Congregational Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church held June 29, 1932.

The meeting opened with scripture reading and prayer by Reverend J. A. Martin.

The pastor stated that the purpose of this meeting, primarily, was to decide on a bond issue on our Church property as a means of financing our new Church building, instead of the insurance method as previously had been adopted, but stated that developments have made it unnecessary to use either plan, as much of the subscription toward the building fund will be cash donations, and notes will be acceptable for part of the subscriptions and for part of material to be used. In his outline of the work that he and the building Committee have doneso far, he stated that most of the material Men have been seen and that some material can be had on time. He also reported that the County Court had offered the County Gas Shovel free for excavating the basement of the new Church. Some trucks from John Slotte & Co. had been promised free of charge. The Pastor also reported a total subscription of $7.010.00 for the building fund.

Mr. C. Moberg reported that negotiations for the sale of the Church and Parsonage in uppertown to the Full Gospel Church, Astoria, was nearly concluded, and that a committee of that congregation was present for the purpose of closing the sale of this property. Mr. Moberg and Mr. J. E. Wicks were appointed to negotiate with the Committee from the Full Gospel Church, and reported back that an offer of $1000.00 is offered for the uppertown Church and parsonage provided a clear title is given them on this property. A motion was made and passed to accept this offer. Moberg and Wicks were instructed to prepare the necessary documents and close the sale of this property.

A motion was made by C. Soderberg, seconded by G. Petterson that the Trinity Lutheran Congregation build a new church on the south end of their lot at 16th and Franklin Avenue. Motion unanimously passed.

Motion made and passed that the old building Committee consisting of C. Moberg, J. E. Wicks, Dr. Kullberg, E. Elving, J. Haggolom, G. Petterson, C. Larson and H. Slotte, remain and act as building Committee during the construction of the new Church building.

Motion made and passed that the building Committee proceed with excavation of the basement as soon as possible.

Building of a new parsonage came up for discussion. No definite action was taken on this question at this time.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Herman Slotte
Secretary Protem

The annual Congregational Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church Oct 10th, 1932

The meeting was opened by singing hymn 265. Rev. Martin then read Psalm 326. followed by prayer.

~~The following reports were read and accepted. The auditing committee report of each of the~~ ~~was also read & adopted.~~

The Pastoral report for the year was then read and adopted.

The following reports were read and accepted: ~~Line of~~

The Financial Secretary's report, Treasurer's report, Treasurer's report, Sunday School Treasurer's report, Financial report of Young People's, Financial report of Women's Missionary Society, Women's Missionary Society, and Junior Mission Band reports, and the Financial Report of the Trinity Lutheran Bldg. Fund. The auditors report of each of the were read and adopted. The report of the Letter Fund Committee was referred for later action by the Board of Administration.

Nominations for deacons were then in order. Mat Nyland, Axel Forney, Conrad Heinstad & Felix Sohlberg were nominated. For Mat Nyland, Conrad Heinstad & Felix Sohlberg were elected.

Nominations were in order for trustees: Emil Rasmus, Chas Fors, J. E. Wicks, John Hagglom, Just Peterson, were nominated. Emil Rasmus, John Hagglom & Just Peterson were elected.

The recommendation of the church elect a Financial Secretary at a salary of $100 was passed unanimously. Emil Rasmus was nominated and elected unanimously.

A motion to have organists to serve a last year was passed

A " " " Board of Administration care for the janitor service was passed.

A motion was made & passed that the auditors for the ensuing year be elected by the board of administration.

The lay delegates to the Conference Convention nominated were Emil Rasmus, Just Peterson, Conrad Heinstad, J. E. Wicks, Herman Stotz was elected delegate and Mr. Heinstad alternate.

Miss Helen Rasmussen was elected Sch. Supt & Mrs. Stotz assistant.

Motion was made & carried authorizing the Board of Trustees to loan money on the church property if it seems necessary.

A rising vote of thanks was given the outgoing officers and to the present active officers of the organizations of the Church.

A motion was made to adjourn.

A. B. Hallberg Sec.

Approved
Oct. 23, 1932 J. A. Martin

Corner-Stone Laying
Programme

Hymn 273 - Anderson

Sch. Prayer - Rev S. McGookin
Rev A.J. Anderson, Crookston

Hymn 264; 1-2 Anderson
Address. Rev. H. Wm Anderson
Apostolic Succ Cal Conf
Psalm Solo - Mrs Hoffman
Greeting - Rev. M.A. Gerdel
Nor. Luth. Ch.
Greeting. Rev D. [illegible]
Address Central Conf
Greetings - Rev E.J. Sylvan
Free Public Church
Vocal Solo - Miss Ida [illegible]
Greetings - E.J. Lindquist
Benediction - Dr. H.W. Hockey
Offering & [illegible]

Hymn - 274 - Anderson

Laying of the Corner Stone

Benediction

[illegible] ORT 1932

To the Esteemed Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation
Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace!

"They that wait for Jehovah shall renew their strength: they shall mount up with wings as eagles: they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." Is. 40:31.

As we convene for our annual business meeting we are profoundly grateful to God for these words, because the church of Jesus Christ always meets difficulties that, for a moment, seem to tax the strength and darken the vision. It is well, therefore, to know that "They that wait for Jehovah shall renew their strength." I do not mean to state that our Trinity Congregation has met such difficulties during the year, that we are even harboring the faintest thought of the impossibility to continue doing God's gracious bidding. Nevertheless, we must admit that the frailty of human nature, the sinful depravity of man, our limitations from every viewpoint, emphasize the value of our introductory words. It is always well for our congregation and its individual members to know from whence our strength, courage, and vision for the future come. Knowing that Jehovah shall renew our strength, we prepare to mount up with wings as eagles, to run and not be weary, to walk and not faint.

There has been, seemingly, no weariness in Trinity those past few months since the undersigned entered upon his duties as pastor of the church. The former pastor, Rev. G. Z. Andeen, experienced the same, and possibly it was due to him that a good beginning was realized when the reorganization of the First Lutheran and the Memorial Lutheran took place. To God, however, we do give the glory and thanks. Rev. Andeen resigned April 6th 1931 and left the field to take charge of the church at Providence, Rhode Island. [illegible] dersigned, then pastor at Wakefield, Nebraska, was called [illegible] 12th 1931, and arrived upon the field November second. [illegible] ay beginning the pastor has experienced the most wonderful [illegible] n in the development of the congregational work. Let [illegible] his report, however, that I am praying for more spirit- [illegible] nite consecration to the Lord and prayer by the [illegible] rate the Lord's Day and substitute [illegible] one thing needful. It should not be [illegible]

to build on its property at Fifteenth and Franklin. Committees were elected to canvass the congregation for funds. At a congregational meeting held in the evening of Wednesday June 29th, it was decided to begin building operations as it was reported that about $7000.00 in pledges had been received from church members and friends. The same evening an offer had come in from the Full Gospel Assembly Church of Astoria to purchase the old First Lutheran Church property for the sum of $1000.00. This offer was accepted and $1000.00 more was added to the building fund. On July 8th (1932) ground breaking ceremonies took place. Those participating were: The mayor of the city, Mr. J. C. Tenbrook, Rev. Christensen, Norwegian Lutheran Church, Rev. Lolang, Lutheran Free Church, Rev. Torkko, Finnish Lutheran Church, and the pastor of Trinity. On July 11th excavations began. The county road commissioners offered the free use of the county gas shovel for excavation purposes. We are very grateful for this courtesy. The corner-stone was laid on September 28th 1932 in connection with the Portland District Mission meetings, when the District pastors were in attendance. The President of the Conference, Rev. N. Wm. Anderson, of Spokane, was the main speaker, and carried out the ceremonies.

Mr. J. E. Hicks, our own architect, and also a member of the building committee. Other members of the building committee consist of the following: C. O. Noberg, chairman: J. E. Hicks, secretary: A. [illegible] Kullberg, M. D., Treasurer: E. S. Alfvin, Gust Petersen, John Faggblom, C. A. Larson, Herman Slotte, and [illegible] Engbretson. The pastor, an ex-officio member, has attended all meetings as far as possible. Funds for building purposes have been provided through pledges from individuals ranging from $300.00 and down. The larger amount has come direct from members, but a good many friends [illegible] Astoria and elsewhere have made liberal contributions. Because [illegible] times or the so-called "Depression" which began in 192[illegible] and [illegible] at this writing, the cost of building material, as [illegible] has been the lowest on record for many decades. [illegible] on within the congregation, as well as non-members, [illegible]. A full report of expenditures will be [illegible] Treasurer will give an account up-to-date [illegible] or the cause has characterized [illegible] continues so much

Services:

The Divine Service is the important part of the church work. Without it there will be no salvation of souls, for it is the means used through which the Gospel is preached, and the Holy Spirit works. The services have been very well attended, especially during the winter months. At times our parish house has been more than crowded, extra chairs and every available space has been used. There are still some Trinity members who seldom or never attend services. These are in danger of losing their souls.

The Sacraments:

There seems to be a lack of understanding in respect to the sacrament of baptism, or unwillingness to bring the infants to the baptismal font. It is hard to understand why parents should not, as soon as possible, permit their infants to receive the baptismal grace promised by Jesus. The Lord's Supper has been celebrated four times with a good attendance and still a great many members never come. Will not these examine themselves in the light of God's Holy Word?

Education:

The Sunday School is the great training and instructing department of our church. The enrollment has been 141. The greatest attentance on any one Sunday was 117, which occurred on January 24th. A large number of children, whose parents are not members of the church, have been enrolled. We are thankful to the teachers in charge. There are twelve classes, two of which are Bible classes. The pastor has served as superintendent since his arrival, and has been assisted by Ada Carlson, Helena Westersund, and Ethel Hicks. Ebba Hicks served as secretary until she left for the university. Since then Robert Williamson, Ronald Martin, and Edward Elfving have had charge of this work. Howard Backlund has served as Sunday School Treasurer for a period of three years. A cradle roll secretary should be procured and an effort made to establish such a department.

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[illegible] cieties have met regularly, some two times a month, others [illegible]. The programs and social hours have been entertaining [illegible]. Let us not substitute the Divine Services [illegible]

choir. Perhaps the members of this organization have given more time and effort than any other organization, enhancing our worship with song. A special thank you is also due to our able leader, Mrs. R. V. Hullberg.

Trinity is fortunate in having a number of efficient organists who have given their services gratis. This has been a very happy situation for the congregation, relieving the treasury of an organists salary. The organists of Trinity are as follows: Ethel Hicks, Howard Backlund, Arnold Oren, Mabel Johnson, Anne Bergman, and Mrs. A. L. Engbretson. A word of thank you is due them for their faithful service. The janitor work has been cared for by members of the Board of Administration. This is also free of charge, wherefore we are very grateful. Various committees have been appointed from the organizations and by the Pastor. Those have always served faithfully. We appreciate this response.

The pastor desires, hereby, to express his gratitude to Trinity's people for their kind expressions to himself and family from time to time. We pray that our services here may be crowned with success: that Trinity may grow in numerical numbers, but that it may also be said here as in the first Christian Church in Jerusalem, " nd the Lord added to them day by day those that were saved." acts 2:47.

The following statistics can be reported: Nine children baptized: nineteen confirmed: six couples married: thirty-two communimunicants and eight children have been received into membership: twenty funerals have been conducted, four of these were members and sixteen non-members. We have in our church, at this writing, 298 communicant members and 108 children. We rejoice over accessions to home and church, and sympathize with those who mourn.

"Christians while on earth abiding,
Let us ever praise and pray,
Firmly in our God confiding,
As our Fathers in their day:
Be the children's voices raised
To the God their Fathers praised.
Let His bounty, failing never,
Be on us and all forever."

Report - Oct. 1, 1931 - Oct. 1, 1932

CASH RECEIVED:

Envelopes	$1554.58	
Collections	380.95	
Special Collections	25.54	
Donations Ladies Aid	320.00	
" Dorcas Society	50.00	
" Luther League	20.00	
" Sunday School	125.00	
" N. Rasmussen	10.00	
" K. A. Bendstrup	25.00	
" Rent from Parsonage	132.00	
Columbia Conference	233.31	
Furnace from Up. Church	42.50	
Initial Offering	5.85	
Birthday Offering	9.77	
Memorial Church	7.06	
Christmas Offering	80.00	
One Dresser, sold	3.00	
E. Bjork, Seaside Picnic	2.74	
TOTAL CASH RECEIVED.....		$3027.30

We the undersigned have Audited the Books of the Financial Sec. of the Trinity Luth. Church Mr E Rasmus and the same coruct with a defiance of $ ~~2.00~~ in the receipts The Finance Sec. reports receipts $ 3029.80 the Auditors report $ 3027.30 We want to commend Mr Rasmus for his excellent way of keeping the Books in order

Singed C. O. Moberg

Gustav Peterson

Report * Oct. 1, 1931 to Oct. 1, 1932

CASH ON HAND , Oct. 1, 1931			$163.92
CASH RECEIVED:			
October	$137.62	$137.62	
Octber, Loan Mr. Slotte		236.00	
November		257.14	
December		312.15	
January		311.85	
February		145.36	
March		374.89	
April		237.45	
May		298.46	
June		226.86	
July		168.16	
August		337.60	
September		233.45	3276.95
TOTAL CASH RECEIVED.....			$ 3440.87

Disbursements:

October	$406.49	
November	206.71	
December	425.68	
January	373.33	
February	118.35	
March	406.13	
April	246.12	
May	211.98	
June	231.13	
July	240.83	
August	295.77	
September	239.66	
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS,.....		3402.18
CASH BALANCE, Oct. 1, 1932		$ 38.69

We the undersigned have Audited the Books of Mr Herman Slotte Treasurer of Trinity Luth. Church and find them correct ~~with the exception that the Balance is $38.69 instead of $44.77 which appears on the books and carried forward the Books to balance in proper shape~~.

Signed C. O. Malmy

Gustaf Florin

REPORT

October 1, 1932 - C. O. MOBERG

Cash on Hand, Oct. 1, 1931	$ 4.43	
Cash Received:		
Birthday Socials	57.57	
Ladies Aid Society, Aug. 23,	50.00	
	112.00	
Loan from First National Bank	400.00	
TOTAL CASH RECEIVED----------		$735.91
Disbursed:		
Columbia Conference	$685.00	
E, Rasmus	2.25	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS----------		687.25
CASH ON HAND, Oct. 1, 1932		$ 48.66

735.91

We the undersigned have audited the Books of C. F. Christians Benevolent Soc Trinity Evang. Luth. Church. and found them Correct

Signed C. O. Moberg Gust Tellessen

JUNIOR MISSION BAND.

Receipts!

Balance from Oct.1st 1931	$ 7.12
Collections	15.03
Dues	6.75
Total	$28.90

Disbursements:

Baptismal Font at Bethphage Mission ..	$ 3.00
Dues	6.75
Building interest	2.00
Total	$11.75
Balance on Hand Oct 1st 1932	$17.15

Dorothy Gustafson, treas.

This report has been audited and found correct:

Mrs.Anna Mackey and Johanna Rasmussen

Women's Missionary Society
~~of the Trinity Lutheran~~

Receipts

Oct. 1, 1931	Bal. Cash forward	[illegible]	
	Dues	[illegible]	
	Collections	[illegible]	
	Books Sold	10 85	
	Donation Missionary fund	[illegible]	
	Mine books	[illegible]	
			[illegible]
From Junior Mission Band			
	Dues	[illegible]	
	Boxes of Sewing	[illegible]	
	Habitual fund	[illegible]	
	Building Interest	[illegible]	355
	Total		$1,195

Disbursements

Lutheran Hospital	[illegible]	
Rain Anna Bleuer day	18 50	750 for [illegible] 1100 " [illegible]
Dues	21 50	
Home Mission	13 [illegible]	
Books Sold	[illegible]	
India Mission	17 87	
Self Page	[illegible]	
Mine books	[illegible]	
Aff to Mrs. [illegible]	[illegible]	
" " Mrs. [illegible]	[illegible]	
~~Building Interest~~		
		103 [illegible]
Junior Mission Band		
Dues	0 75	
Mission Boxes	[illegible]	
Habitual fund	[illegible]	
Building Interest	[illegible]	13 55
Exc	[illegible]	
Cash on hand Oct. 1, 1931	.01	
Total		117 [illegible]

Marie F. Lindley
Treas.

~~Women's Missionary Society~~

Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1931 [illegible]
Rec'd from Junior Mission Band [illegible]
Rec'd from Sewing Circle [illegible]
Rec'd from Mrs. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRINITY LADIES AID

Oct. 1,1931 to Oct. 1,1932

RECEIPTS

Balance Brought from 1931	$ 81.77
Collections at Meetings	166.00
Annual Sale	245.50
Silver Tea	25.30
Cooked Food Sale	52.20
Salmon Dinner	68.45
Mothers and Daughters Banquet	38.60
Selling Ice Cream at picnic	6.50
Dividend from Bank	4.83
Lunch Room on board Tourist No.II	48.35
	$737.50

[illegible]

Flowers	[illegible]
Building Fund	[illegible]
Church Treasury	[illegible]
Misc.	[illegible]
	[illegible]
Balance on hand	[illegible]

REPORT
OF
Sunday School Treasurer
Trinity Luth. Church
Astoria, Oregon

Year ending Oct. 1, 1952

Balance on Hand Oct. 1, 1951.		$136.68
RECEIPTS:		
Regular Offerings	$168.20	
Christmas Offering	26.83	
Easter Offering	17.28	
		211.31
Total Receipts		$348.49
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Regular Sunday School supplies	51.82	
Gifts and etc.	72.25	
Building Fund	100.00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Check Tax	.02	
Total Disbursements		$299.09
Balance on Hand October 1, 1952.		$ 49.40

We the undersigned have audited these books and have found them to be correct.

Helen Westersund
Agda Carlson

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Backlund

Howard Backlund, Treas.

Report of Luther League

October 1, -1931 — October 1, -1932

Cash on Hand (shown on tch.) Oct 1, 1931	$77.42
Cash on Hand (shown on bank statement) Oct 1, 1931	63.96
Difference between bank statement and books	$13.46

is shown at the start of Oct. 1, 1931 (fund)

Total Cash Receipts as audited by auditors October 1, 1931 — October 1, 1932 —	$226.—
Difference in cash on hand —	13.96
Total Cash Receipts —	$239.96

Total Cash Disbursements as found by auditors	$113.91
July 16, 1932 Check to 24 Day Nursery for Lutheran Dues (left out and paid twice)	17.50
Total Disbursements	$131.41

Oct 1, 1932

Total Cash Receipts	$239.96
Total Cash Disbursements	131.41
Cash on Hand —	$108.55

Total Cash — Books	$108.99
Cash on Hand as shown at Bank is shown — Books	108.63
	$ .46
	.36

We have looked over the books, compared them with bank statements and cash stubs of the society

Luther League, and have found one entry amounting to $17.50, paid to Roy Miller for Dist. L.L. dues, was not entered in the books. Also each account on book according to the last statement showed at the start of Feb 1, 1931 proved show a difference of $13.50 less on the book than should have been. Therefore according to the books Feb 1, 1931 should be $10.63 At present we have $10.99 on the book a matter of $.36 more in the cash than shown in the books

Chas Bolinquist
Treasurer

We the undersigned have audited the Books of Luther League of the Trinity Lutheran church and find that the cash balance should be $10.63 but is $10.99 a difference of 36c

Gustaf A Stevens
Peter Sadenberg

Women's Society

Oct 1 - Oct 1
1931-32. Receipts

Cash on hand	1 23
Dues	24 50
Collections	24 31
Annual sale	71 18
Total	120.28

Disbursements

Pledge to church	50 00
Building fund	25 00
Poor building fund	25 00
[illegible]	1 15
Total	121.15
Balance	1.13

Signed Emberg Hans.

Audited and found correct
Anna Nelson
Marie Lofgrand

Trinity Lutheran Building Fund

RECEIVED

January 1931

Jan.	Birthday Soc. Plus Board Contr. of [illegible]6.39	[illegible]18.83
[illegible]. 27	Birthday Social	21.17
[illegible]	"	14.50
[illegible]	[illegible]	17.45
[illegible]	[illegible]	16.65
[illegible]	[illegible]	17.06
[illegible]	[illegible]	15.83
	Interest	.64
[illegible]	Luther League	74.91
[illegible]	Birthday Social	14.06
[illegible]	"	[illegible]
[illegible]. 30	"	17.30
[illegible]	[illegible]	14.66
[illegible]	[illegible]	13.56
	Interest	2.94
[illegible] 1932	Birthday Social	13.30
[illegible]b.	"	15.59
[illegible]	[illegible]	12.05
[illegible]	[illegible]	16.50
[illegible]	[illegible]	22.00
[illegible]	"	11.30
[illegible]	[illegible]	18.50
		[illegible]
	Carried Fwd.	384.30
[illegible]	Birthday Social	10.47
[illegible]	Interest	6.75
[illegible]	Bricks	10.50
[illegible]	"	34.50
[illegible]	E. B. Hughes	50.00
[illegible]	Bricks	8.75
[illegible]	Boys' Chorus	30.00
[illegible]	Birthday Social	13.70
[illegible]	[illegible]	100.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	25.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	3.21
[illegible]	[illegible]	1.48
[illegible]	[illegible]	5.50
[illegible]	[illegible]	10.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	100.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	12.55
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		[illegible]

	Carried Forward	1839.07
July	Owl Drug Store	25.00
"	Mr. A. Backlund	4.25
	Rev. G. K. Andeen	2.00
	Bricks	[illegible].00
	Stanglund Lawn Social	75.36
	Birthday Social	15.59
	Mr. A. G. Backlund	40.00
	Mr. A. [illegible]. Norblad	25.00
	Bricks	1.00
	Tillie [illegible]rickson	50.00
	Chas. G. Johnson	5.00
	Ethel [illegible]icks	25.00
	Ed. Larson	100.00
	Bricks	14.00
	Esther Larson	5.00
	Bricks	1.50
	[illegible]. [illegible]. Bjork	5.00
	Mrs. Lidberg	5.00
	Bricks	4.00
	Miss Anna Bergman	20.00
	C. A. Larson	300.00
	Fred Nordstrom	50.00
	Building Rally	23.01
	G. A. Hellberg	[illegible]
		2657.78
	Carried Forward	2657.78
	Ladies Aid	4.33
	Bricks	[illegible]
	Mr. S. C. Turner	[illegible]
	Capt. Haggblom	[illegible]
	Pictures	[illegible]
	Boat Excursion L. L.	[illegible]
	Pictures	[illegible]
	Pictures	[illegible]
	Bricks	[illegible]
	Birthday Social	[illegible]
	J. A. Martin	[illegible]
	R. [illegible]. Kullberg	[illegible]
	Capt. Lofstedt	[illegible]
	River Pilots	[illegible]
	Helen Westersund	[illegible]
	Mr. Norblad	[illegible]
	Mr. Moberg	[illegible]
	Nils Rasmussen	[illegible]
	Bricks	[illegible]
	A. [illegible]. Peterson	[illegible]
	Mrs. I. [illegible]glund	[illegible]
	Ruth Rasmus	[illegible]
	R. [illegible]. Kullberg	[illegible]

Trinity Building Fund
Continued

September 1932		
	Carried Forward	$3130.60
Sept.	J. A. Martin	25.00
"	Bricks	1.50
"	Dorcas Society	25.00
"	Grimstad	100.00
"	Slusher	10.00
"	Bricks	.50
"	Bricks	6.50
"	Mr. Moberg	10.00
"	Fred Soderberg	5.00
"	Mr. Norblad	40.00
"	Bricks	2.50
"	Wedding Certificate	.25
"	Mr. Julius Anderson	5.00
"	Capt. Elfving	150.00
"	Mr. Hellberg	10.00
"	Bricks	10.00
"	Return from labor check	3.30
"	Mrs. Ingoretson	10.00
"	Chas. M. Soderberg	10.00
"	Bricks(Ed. Elfving)	1.00
Oct.	Capt Haggblom	100.00
"	Anne Bergman	20.00
"	Ed Larson	10.00
		$3,683.65
	Carried Fwd.	$3,683.65
Oct.	Birthday Social	8.00
"	Loose Collection at Corner Stone laying	49.41
"	Bricks	1.00
Oct.	Bricks	1.25
"	Bricks	2.00
"	Chas. Soderberg	10.00
"	Mr. C. Moberg	10.00
"	Interest	6.75
"	R. L. Kullberg	50.00
To Oct 5, 1932		
Oct 6	Lena Anderson bricks	16.60
		3,841.66
Oct 6	Rev. Martin	25.00
		3,866.66

We the undersigned Committee examined the report of the Building Treasurer Dr. N. H. Kullberg and find that the total is 3866.66 as per his report.

Respectfully
C. E. Magnuson

Trinity Building Fund

Paid Out

ly	14	Mariner Printery-Bricks	101.50
"	20	John Alderman, Truck Driver	12.65
	1	Building Permit	6.00
	3	Church Ext. Fund Interest	150.00
	8	Ed. Mk. Parish House Furnace	20.00
	8	Thomason's-Window frames	120.00
	11	Oscar Erickson Labor	25.00
	13	Astoria Lumber Co.	222.97
	13	Herman Benson Labor	25.00
"	13	Herman Slottee "	35.00
"	13	Chas. Fors "	25.00
"	13	Jm. Carlson "	25.00
"	13	Hilmer Lofgren "	25.00
"	13	Victor Westersund "	25.00
"	13	Gust Peterson "	25.00
"	13	Axel Sederberg "	25.00
"	13	Emil Lofgren "	10.00
"	13	Nat Anderson "	7.00
"	13	Matt Nyland "	10.00
	18	Brookfield, Cement sand, gravel	808.75
"	26	John Hicks-Material	50.00
"	26	Simonson-Labor	15.00
"	27	Labor Check	195.00
		Mr. A. Backlund gas etc.	4.25
		Carried Forward	$1968.12
	2	Pay roll	147.50
	10	Pay roll check	131.25
	10	Expense check(for trip to Portland).	5.00
	10	Astoria, Lumber Co.	300.00
		Mr. Hicks	25.00
		Astoria Lumber Co.	221.27
		Labor Check	187.50
		"	176.75
		"	211.00
		Standard Oil Co.	31.52
		Nat Nyland	15.75
			163.83
			4.25

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Name	Gen'l Fund	Conf. Budget
Matt Anderson	$ .05	$ .15
Laura Anderson	2.05	2.00
Jenny Anderson		
Herman Benson		
Julius Benson	2.00	
Anne Bergman	22.75	2.25
Mrs. A. Birch	10.70	2.87
Charles Birch	10.50	2.60
Oscar Birch	10.60	2.40
Emil Bjork	6.70	
Otto F. Berg	2.75	
P. E. Bjork	.30	.15
Elmer Blomquist	2.10	.05
Mrs. D. M. Campbell	10.00	.75
Mrs. J. P. Carlson	2.25	~~2.00~~ .10
Frances Carlson	.30	
Mrs. V. Carlson	8.75	
Agda Carlson	6.50	
Wm. Carlson	2.66	
Mrs. I. Carlson	8.25	.28
Axel Cederberg	10.45	
Uno Cederberg		
J. F. Christians	20.00	5.30
Ivan Dahlgren		
Edward Edling	6.00	
Mrs. Esther Eklund	6.75	.30
F. S. Elfving	52.50	8.60
Edward Elfving	~~5.70~~	
Mrs. Maria Elfving	2.40	.01
Signe Enberg	13.00	5.20
Mrs. A. Engbretson	13.25	2.50
A. E. Engbretson	30.00	
Roy Engbretson		
Mrs. T. Erickson	4.25	
Mrs. Gallant	21.10	2.05
Axel Finney	25.00	.50
Charles Fors	8.25	
Conrad Grimstad	34.75	2.90
V. Gustafson	23.83	4.35
Anita Gustafson	8.25	.20
J. E. Haggblom	40.00	
Hulda Haggblom	5.00	
Mrs. I. Haglund		
Axel Hagnas		
A. L. Hansen		
Mrs. J. Helstrom	.15	
E. W. Hendrickson		
C. A. Hendrickson	11.00	1.70
A. Hildebrand	12.00	
Ida Holmes	5.60	
P. H. Holmstrom	1.00	.15
Jennie Holmgren	8.35	2.60
M. L. Hoyer	14.05	5.50
V. Jackson	7.40	.41
Axel Jacobson		
Otto Jacobson	7.75	
Arvid Jacobson		
Carl E. Johanson	26.00	
H. W. Johanson	4.00	1.00
W. Johanson	13.00	1.85

	Gen'l Fund	Conf Budget
Gunnar Johanson	5.20	
A. Johnson		
J. Johnson		
Mabel Johnson	10.45	2.85
G. Johnson		.05
Mrs. M. Johnson	10.00	1.45
Dr. R. W. Kullberg	182.00	25.00
C. A. Larson	24.05	2.75
Margaret & Larson	4.67	.06
Ed Larson	10.00	
Mrs. J. Larson		
Helen Larson	5.75	1.00
Leonard Larson	8.38	.50
P. A. Larson		
Ed Lebeck		
Mrs. Lidberg	13.05	5.20
H. Lofgren		
~~H. Lofgren~~		
Mrs. A. Mackey	14.00	2.21
F. H. Larson	9.50	
Esther Larson	15.50	2.95
Mrs. Edlla Mattson	9.45	2.05
C. O. Moberg	28.35	7.85
Edith Moberg		
David Moberg	.90	.30
Mrs. J. Norberg	4.10	
Fred Nordstrom	13.05	4.10
Matt Nyland	26.00	5.20
Mrs. R. Pederson	13.00	
Gus Peterson	4.00	
John Peterson		
Mrs. Oscar Peterson		
Emil Rasmus	20.00	
Ruth Rasmus	10.40	.02
Runar Rasmus	6.25	
N. J. Rasmussen	27.00	5.45
Johanna Rasmussen	40.00	13.00
Petra Rasmussen	5.85	
G. B. Salvon	.50	.06
Sigvald Satre	5.40	
H. Slotte	26.00	7.65
J. Slotte	18.70	
Mrs. S. Sjosten	10.80	2.85
J. Slotte, Jr.	2.50	
K. E. Soderberg	18.25	3.49
Chas. Soderberg	25.75	2.65
F. Soderberg	19.20	2.50
J. Svenson	2.25	
Fred Swanson	5.25	
Selma Swanson	3.45	1.15
Mrs. H. Swanson	10.00	
C. A. Weaver		.10
Mrs. A. West	5.50	1.30
V. Westersund	26.00	5.00
H. Westersund	13.00	5.20
Ed. Westersund	10.50	
J. E. Wicks	52.00	
Ethel Wicks	13.00	
Esther Wicks	13.00	
Ebba Wicks	5.20	

Name	Gen'l Fund	Conf. Budget
Agnes Young	26.00	5.35
Wm. Wisbeck	1.25	
P. L. Yost	13.85	4.40
Gearhart Backlund	.40	.10
Howard Backlund	16.40	3.65
Marva Jean Backlund	1.50	1.15
Arthur Soderberg	5.15	1.00
Edward Finney	4.00	
Esther Finney	10.00	
Theodore Christians	7.80	
Alta Christians	7.85	
L. W. Myers	3.25	
Mrs. T. Myers	4.25	
Robert Williamson	1.10	
Adeline Sather	3.00	.25
Geo. Sather	2.15	
Greta Erickson	3.99	2.92
Clara Lindstrom	1.10	1.20
Rev. J. A. Martin	25.95	6.10
Ronadl Martin	11.05	2.25
Carl Nyland		1.45
Eva Swanson	.75	
Mrs. Siems	5.40	.54
R. Hoyer	2.25	.10
Mrs. C. Wolf	2.35	
Chas. G. Johnson	3.25	.22
N. E. Beckstrom	.40	
Edw. Johnson		
Hjordis Berg	.10	.15
Gladys Bjork	1.05	
Lawrence Carlson		
J. H. Elfving	.60	.15
Sylvia Grimstad	1.70	
Agnes Hendrickson	1.65	
Ruth Hendrickson	1.70	
Margaret Johnson	.60	
Ruth Larson	.10	.10
Lorraine Martin	1.50	.65
Muriel Paulson	.45	
Lester Soderberg	.85	.62
Christina Rasmussen	1.80	
Dagny Sjolund	.15	.15
Irene Yost	1.60	.65
Anna Mackey	1.05	.10
Patricia Kruckman	.10	
Hannah Johnson	4.75	1.90
Alice Benson		
Margaret Carlson		
Helen Carlson		
Oscar J. Erickson		
Mrs. K. Fredrickson		
Wm. Fornas		
Mrs. Ben Gustafson		
Mrs. Ida Hagglund		
Lloyd Hagnas		
Andrew Hanson		
Mrs. Juliana J. Hill		
Miss Vivian Hill		
Edith Jacobson		
Arthur Johnson		
Louis Holmes		

	Conf. Budget
Mrs. Hicks Oman	1.00
Mr. & Mrs. Anton Josephson	
August Johsnon	
Margaret Larson	
Edith Larson	
J. Orville Martin	
Helen Nordquist	
Arnold Oren	
Elmer Palo	
Harry Peterson	
Roland Peterson	
Wm. Paulson	
Mrs. Johanna Wilson	
Cecil Moberg	
Unknown	.35

Dear Member:

If you would find any error relative to your contribution please report it in a spirit of love and helpfulness. We believe all have done their best and hope for a better year that is before us.

Board of Administration
Trinity Luth. Church

MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING (special) JAN.4th.1933

The meeting was officially opened in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The pastor read scripture and offered prayer.

The purpose of this meeting is to consider loans for ### building purposes.

The following resolution was made: That we consider at this meeting to make a new loan ----

The following motion was made by Mr.Grimstad: That a retiring fund be created, assessing each member or head of the family the sum of ten dollars ($10.00) to be paid in two installments every six months. The motion was seconded and adopted.

Rev Martin discussed the resolution and circulated a petiton receiving pledges from members present.

The following resolution for a note was made: Resolved that Cap. Elfving,Larson Haggblom and Dr. Kullberg sign a note for $1000.00 at the bank for the Trinity Lutheran Church and that this be paid by the money secured from Rev. Odell, who had offered a loan, or by a monthly payment of at least $35.per month.

A resolution was made to request Conference aid in the sum of $400.00 for 1933.

J. A. Kullberg, Sec.

ANNUAL MEETING OCTOBER 6, 1933

The annual meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church began by the singing of hymn number 264 and scripture reading by Rev. J. A. Martin.

The meeting was then formally opened in the name of the Triune God after which Rev. J. A. Martin read his report. Mr. Moberg moved that the report be adopted. The motion was passed.

Copies of the financial reports were distributed to all present. The financial report was then read by Mr. Emil Rasmus after which it was moved that it be accepted.

The treasurers report was read by Mr. Herman Slotte and was accepted.

The treasurers report of the Ladies Aid was read by Mrs. F. S. Elfving and was accepted.

The following treasurers reports were read by Rev. J. A. Martin and accepted: the Dorcas Society, Women's Missionary Society, Sunday School, Luther League, Junior Mission Band.

The treasurers reprt of the Trinity Lutheran Building Fund was read by Dr. Kullberg and accepted with a vote of thanks.

Mr. C. O. Moberg, V. Gustafson and R. W. Kullberg were unanimously reelected deacons.

The trustees nominated were, Wm. Johanson, Chas. Soderberg, Paul Kraetch, A. L. Hemingsen. Messrs. Johanson, Kraetch and Hemingsen were elected.

Mr. E. Rasmus was elected unanimously as financial secretary.

A motion was made and passed to have a permanent janitor and to refer appointment of same to Board of Administration.

A motion was made and passed to refer appointment of organist to the Board of Administration.

Miss Johanna Rasmussen was elected Superintendent of Sunday School. Mrs. J. A. Martin was elected assistant.

Mr. Nils Rasmussen was elected lay-delegate to the district convention. Mr. E. Rasmus alternate.

Mr. J. E. Wicks was elected delegate to the Conference meeting. Captain F. S. Elfving alternate.

Mrs. R. W. Kullberg was elected choir director and Miss Esther Wicks assistant.

The treasurers report of the Ladies' Aid Cheer Fund was read and accepted.

Mr. Wicks reported that several windows are being placed in the new church building through the kind generosity of Miss Agnes Young.

A standing vote of thanks was given to the ladies of the church and others who have served during the year.

R. W. KULLBERG, Sec.

FINANCIAL REPORTS; TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, ASTORIA, OREGON

OCTOBER 1st.1932 --- SEPTEMBER 30th.1933.

NAME	Gen'l Fund	Conf.
Laura Anderson	$ 1.35	$ .90
Julius Benson	1.00	
Anne Bergman	25.75	2.90
Mrs.A.Birch	10.80	2.65
Chas Birch	10.50	1.75
Oscar Birch	10.80	2.55
Howard Backlund	.50	.10
Gerhard Backlund	4.25	
Marya Jean Backlund	1.00	.25
Mrs.V.Carlson	5.00	
Agda Carlson	7.75	
Wm.Carlson	1.93	
Ida Carlson	6.00	
Axel Cederberg	9.75	
J.F.Christians	26.00	5.15
Theodore Christians	7.96	
Alta Christians	7.65	
Edw.Edling	6.60	
F.S.Elfving	52.40	4.40
Edward Elfving	1.50	
Mrs.Maria Elfving	2.95	
John Henry Elfving	2.34	.13
Signe Enberg	13.15	5.20
Mrs.Anna Engbretson	12.30	1.94
Mrs. Tillie Erickson	7.50	1.00
A.E.Engbretson	54.50	10.35
Greta Erickson	.80	.48
Axel Finney	26.00	
Chas.Fors	8.15	
Mrs.Gallant	10.95	2.45
C.H.Grimstad	14.20	.80
Sylvia Grimstad	4.85	
Victor Gustafson	21.55	.60
Anita Gustafson	7.75	
Edward Finney	.50	
J.E.Haggolom	24.65	1.80
Huldah Haggolom	10.25	.10
C.A.Hendrickson	14.80	
Ruth Hendrickson	2.60	
Agnes Hendrickson	2.05	
Aug.Hildebrand	12.00	
Louis Holmes	5.45	
P.H.Holmstrom	10.00	
Jennie Holmgren	10.61	
A.L.Hoyer	13.50	3.90
Ragnar Hoyer	9.18	
Victor Jackson	6.10	.11
Otto Jacobson	4.80	
C.E.Johanson	21.40	3.40
Wm.Johanson	11.00	1.90
Gunnar Johanson	5.35	.05
Mabel Johnson	12.90	2.40
Mrs.Martin Johnson	9.95	1.05
Edwin Johnson	2.65	.25
Margaret Johnson	.95	
Chas G.Johnson	7.80	
Edna M Johnson	2.55	.60
Eleanor Johnson	2.95	.70
Dr.R.W.Kullberg	100.25	32.25
C.A.Larson	24.64	3.06
Margaret Larson	3.30	.20
Ed.Larson	17.50	.75
Helen Larson	4.29	1.75
Leonard Larson	6.88	.32
Mrs. Maria Lidberg	26.15	5.15

NAME	Gen'l Fund	Conf.
P.H.Larson	$14.20	$
Esther Larson	17.15	2.65
Mrs.Alma Mackey	12.15	2.34
Mrs. Esta Mattson	7.55	1.89
C.O.Moberg	30.00	4.35
L.Myers	.50	
Mrs. Tillie Myers	1.00	
Rev.J.A.Martin	30.40	6.93
Ronald Martin	11.41	2.30
Lorraine Martin	5.74	1.75
Anna Mackey	2.30	
Mrs Ellen Noffsinger	1.70	.70
Mrs.Johanna Norberg	2.55	
Fred Nordstrom	3.75	1.40
Matt Nyland	26.15	4.80
Carl Nyland	4.55	
Mrs.Ruth Pedersen	10.20	
Helen Pedersen	2.55	
G.A.Peterson	6.15	
Doris Peterson	.10	
Emil Rasmus	12.00	1.04
Ruth Rasmus	9.60	
Enid Rasmus	3.95	
Edith Rasmus	1.22	
Runar Rasmus	.50	
N.J.Rasmussen	26.00	
Johanna Rasmussen	39.40	13.00
Petra Rasmussen	5.05	
Christina Rasmussen	5.20	
G.B.Salton	.25	
Sigvald Satre	5.30	.10
H.Slotte	25.70	7.30
John Slotte Sr.	11.00	
John Slotte Jr.	4.00	
Mrs S.Sjosten	13.00	2.50
K.E.Soderberg	13.20	3.33
C.M.Soderberg	23.25	2.45
Lester Soderberg	.20	.05
Felix Soderberg	20;49	.95
Fred Swanson	.40	
Selma Swanson	.30	
Mrs.Seim	13.70	1.19
Mrs.Hanna Swanson	10.00	
Mrs.A.West	5.00	.90
Ed.Westersund	13.00	
Vistor Westersund	26.95	5.20
Helen Westersund	13.00	5.10
J.E.Wicks	29.40	
Ethel Wicks	12.75	
Esther Wicks	10.00	
Mrs.C.Wolf	5.48	
Wm.Wisbeck	13.75	
Agnes Young	25.20	4.90
P.L.Yost	10;25	1.70
Irene Yost	1.20	1.35
Mrs.Clark Bell	13.57	.69
O.J.Erickson	4.30	
Ida Hagglund	3.10	
John Holstrom	1.00	
Juliana Hill	6.30	
Vivian Hill	6.25	
Mrs Hanna Johnson	13.00	5.25
A.H.Lofgren	1.50	
Arnold Oren	.50	.20
Robt.Williamson	.45	

FINANCIAL REPORTS Continued

NAME	Gen'l Fund	Cont
Axel Jacobson	$ 2.65	
Muriel Paulson	1.15	.15
A.J.Hemmingson	14.65	2.03
Mrs Esther Baker	6.7[illegible]	
Mrs.Orlean Swift	5.65	
Anna Hovgaard	4.15	2.30
P.H.Kraetch	15.15	
Lloyd Kraetch	3.55	
Mrs Lucy Olsen	1.63	
Mrs Anna Nordstrom	5.15	
K.L.Eaton	2.15	.70
K.A.Bendstrup	11.70	
Edith Jacobson	10.00	

Dear Member: Please look over the above statement to see if your name is there and if you have been credited correctly. Should you find any error relative to your contribution please report it in a spirit of love and helpfulness. If your name does not appear in the above list it is because you have not contributed using the envelope for such purpose. The financial secretary will gladly furnish you with the necessary envelopes that your contribution may be recorded.

To all contributers we express our sincere thanks.

Very Respectfully,
Board of Administration,

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT
Oct.1st 1932 - Sept.30 1933

Receipts:

Envelopes	$1,622.15
Loose Offerings	276.52
Special Offering	88.95
Columbia Conference	114.99
Ladies Aid	551.35
Dorcas Society	75.00
Luther League	5.00
Sunday School	68.30
Strawberry Social	13.35
	$2815.61

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BENEVOLENCES

Receipts:

Balance 1932	$ 48.61
Envelopes	[illegible]
Birth Day Socials	57.19
	3[illegible]

Disbursements:

Paid on note	$ 255.00
Interest	14.58
	269.58
Balance on hand Oct.1st	37.65.

Financial Secry.and Benevolence Treasurer Emil Rasmus.

LADIE'S AID

Receipts:

Collections at meetings	$157.57
Annual Sale	145.82
Donations	9.50
Cooked food,teas etc.	258.62
Kiwanis Lunches	414.35
Balance brought forw.1932	26.09
	$1,011.95

Disbursements:

Church treasury	$551.35
Building Fund	257.70
Flowers	10.45
Misc.	154.49
Balance on hand	37.96
	$1,011.95

Mrs.F.S.Elfving,treas.
Audited and found correct,
Mrs.W.L.Habernicht,Mrs.Fred Nordstrom.

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DORCAS SOCIETY

Receipts:

Balance on hand	$ 1.53
Dues	26.65
Collections	33.97
Sale	41.93
Cushion	1.85
	$105.93

Disbursements:

Church treasury	$ 75.00
Kitchen fixtures parsonage	20.00
Flowers	2.75
Refreshments at picnic	3.30
	$101.05
Balance on hand	4.88
	$105.93

Jennie Holmgren,treas.
We have audited the books of the Dorcas society and found them correct. Mabel Johnson
Anne Bergman

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WOMENS MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:

Balance Oct.1st 1932	$ .07
Collections and donations	51.52
Home Mission Festival	25.30
Annual Dues	14.00
Dist.W.M.S.Rally Offering	15.32
Junior Miss.Band Dues	4.75
Building fund	2.00
	$112.95

Disbursements:

Annual Dues	$ 14.50
Dist.Treasurer	26.50
Pacific Printing Co.	25.00
[illegible] Vancouver	7.00
[illegible]	5.00
Building Fund	2.00
Company Mission,Seattle	2.75
Christmas [illegible] Fund	1.50
Literature	2.00
Offering Dist.Rally Home Missions	7.66
Anna Olsen	7.66
Miscellaneous	1.87

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY (conti)

Junior Mission Band Dues----	$ 4.75
" Bldg.Fund ----------	2.00
	$ 110.19
Cash on hand ----------	2.77
	$112.96

Maria F.Lidberg,treas.

We have audited this book and found it correct. Mrs.Carl E.Johanson
Mrs.Leonard Larson

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REPORT OF CHURCH TREASURER

Receipts:

Cash on hand Oct.11932 ---$	38.69
Cash received ----------	2,842.43
	2,881.12

Disbursements:

Pastor's Salary ----------	2,277 25
Pacific Power and Light --	107.56
City of Astoria,Water ----	28.55
N.W.Cities Gas Co.,-------	12.75
Interest Paid ----------	12.18
Augustana Book Concern ---	68.30
Pledge Envelopes ---------	14.45
Pacific Painting Co.,-----	100.00
Note:Bank of Commerce-----	100.00
Fire Insurance ----------	12.60
Adv.Columbia Lutheran ----	10.00
X-mas.Offering ----------	58.53
Miscelaneous----------	76.11
	$2,878.28
Oct.1st.1933 Balance	2.84
	$ 2,881.12

Herman Slotte,Treas.

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TRINITY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total Receipts offerings etc.$214.84

Disbursements:

Augustana Book Concern -----	61.60
Chursch Treasury(books)-----	68.30
S.S.Trinkets etc. ----------	4.55
Organ (Moving) ----------	25.00
Building Fund ----------	25.00
Astoria Florist ----------	1.00
Lower Col.Dairy ----------	2.75
Check tax ----------	.24
	$188.44
Balance on hand ----------	26 40
	$214.84

Irene Jorgensen,treas.

We have audited these books and found them to be correct and in good order. Ruth Rasmus
Anne Bergman

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LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:

Cash on hand Oct.1st.1932 --$	10;99
Collections ----------	147.12
	158.11
Disbursements ----------	143.91
Balance on hand at bank ----	15.79
	$159.70

George Sather,treas.

JUNIOR MISSION BAND

Receipts#:

Balance on hand 1932 -----	$ 17.15
Offerings ----------	14.58
Dues ----------	4.75
	$ 36.48

Disbursements:

Dues ----------	4.75
Girl's Home ----------	2.00
Miscelaneous ----------	.45
Shades,parsonage part pmt.	20.00
Fixtures " ----------	5.00
Building specials --------	2.00
	$ 34.20
Balance on hand ---------	2.28
	$ 36.48

Douglas Martin,treas.

This account has been audited and found correct. Mrs.Chas Baker
Johanna Rasmussen

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DONATIONS TO NEW CHURCH To Oct.1,'32

John Simonson,	by Labor--	$	9.50
V Bloomquist	" "		37.63
H.Slotte	" "		144.50
H Slotte	" Machinery		100.00
J.Slotte	" "		100.00
J.Slotte	# Labor		25.38
Wm.Johanson	" "		19 38
H.Benson	" "		6[illegible].38
O.Martin	" "		11.88
C.Fors	" "		64.34
Wm.Carlson	" "		19.56
Ed.Lebeck	" "		36.13
O.Brickson	" "		43.78
H.Lofgren	" "		50.78
V.Westersund	" "		35.03
G.Peterson	" "		65.20
A.Cederberg	" "		45.09
R.Hoyer	" "		8.13
A.L.Hoyer	" "		117.69
M.Nyland	" "		48.72
M.Anderson	" "		29.74
E.Lofgren	" "		9.25
C.Grimstad	" "		106.03
R.Martin	" "		14.38
A.Finney	" "		85.94
V.Jackson	" "		43.00
J Benson	" "		31.52
A Hagaas	" "		5.00
C.Cederberg	" "		35 00
R.Enberg	" "		25.65
J.Jorgensen	" "		17.50
O Peterson	" "		31.57
G Johanson	" "		2.50
E.Bloomquist	" "		3.75
H.Mackey	" "		2.50
R.Iccarson	" "		5.00
L Loffsinger	" "		5.00
F.Johnson	" "		5.00
A.G.Johnson	" "		8.75
A.Mittet	" "		5.25
J.Landro	" "		5.25
A.Cederstrom	" "		1.50
D.Bjork	" "		1.25
J.Pitkanen	" "		2.50
C.Cato	" "		24.95
		$1,552.94	

To the Esteemed Trinity Lutheran Congregation, Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace!

"For the word of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us who are saved it is the power of God.(1Cor. 1:18)

Today, as we look back upon the activities of our church for 1933, we have in mind the above quoted words by Paul. "The word of the cross" has been the grand theme of our preaching and teaching. However learned or unlearned, high or humble, Christ crucified--rising, interceeding, redeeming, pardoning, receiving, saving--Christ Jesus must be and we believe has been the theme for our service. We shall never change for the better, this Gospel. We shall never find any other subject which will do so much good. We must sow as St. Paul sowed, if we would reap as he reaped.

Need we stand still and be ashamed of the weapons of our warfare? Is the gospel, the old evangelical creed, unequal to the wants of our day? I assert boldly that we have no cause to be ashamed of the gospel at all. It is not worn out. It is not out of date. We want nothing new, nothing added to the gospel, nothing taken away. If there be any among us who perish, it is because the word of the cross to them is foolishness. But unto us who are saved it is still the power of God.

What can we do but humble ourselves, for the past, and endeavour, by God's help, to do more for time to come? Let us open our eyes more to see. Let us unite in more fervent prayer and a full surrender to Christ. Let the work be worthy of our cause. The cause for which Christ left heaven and came down to earth, deserves the best that we can give!

The purpose of this report is that we make a review of the activities since our last annual meeting.

The important feature of our work is the divine service. If we cease with the preaching of God's Word we cease to exist as a church. If there were but [illegible] or three gathered in Christ's name", there would be a church. Large num- [illegible] not always guarantee an influential congregation, but those who worship in [illegible] truth. We are happy to report, however, that we have not lacked [illegible], nor do we belive, worshippers. There is an apparent desire among the [illegible] the Word and some never fail in attendance. On the other hand [illegible] come to the divine service but will attend a program or [illegible]. Others never come at all, and there are [illegible] souls.

[illegible] in contact with the heresies of unbelief [illegible]

[illegible] Communion has been celebrated four times. The Lord's Table has been well [illegible]ed, seemingly in a devout and penitent spirit. There is a large number which has never communed at all. We urge these to examine themselves in the light of God's [illegible].

The Sunday School has been conducted along the same lines as former years. The largest attendance at any one time was 117. This occurred on Rally Sunday, October 1st. A faithful corp of teachers and officers have done splendid work. Miss Johanna Rasmussen has served as superintendent and Mrs. J. A. Martin, as assistant. Two senior classes in Bible studies have been conducted with nine classes in the grades and Kindergarten. A cradle roll department has been added this year, consisting of 27 members. A birthday card will be sent to each one each year until they start Sunday School.

Vacation Bible School was conducted the last three weeks in June. Forty six pupils were enrolled. Volunteer teachers were procured, namely, Miss Edna Rasmus who acted as superintendent, Miss Anita Gustafson, Miss Thora Rasmussen, and the pastor. This school proved to be a splendid success and it is hoped that next year there will be a still larger enrollment.

A class of eight young people was confirmed in May.

Rev. C. S. Odell of Portland conducted Bible studies for four evenings the last week in March. This was under the auspices of the Luther League. The following topics were considered: "God's plan for my life", "God's salvation for my life", God's control of my life," and "God's power for my life". This was well received and a good number attended.

A Luther League Mass Meeting, conducted by the four Astoria Leagues, namely: the Norwegian Lutheran Church, Lutheran Free Church, Finnish Lutheran Church, and Trinity League, on Palm Sunday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and 7:30 in the [illegible]ing. Dr. C. A. Tingelstad from Parkland College was the speaker. Standing [illegible] at a premium in our church that day. We hope it will be possible to [illegible] in Christian fellowship with the other Lutheran churches in the future.

[illegible] societies have met regularly, some once, others twice each month. The [illegible]al reports submitted to this meeting are indicative of their activity. [illegible] manifested a surprising willingness to work for Trinity's [illegible]. Sales, teas, luncheons, etc. has netted the large sum of [illegible] $800 of this money has been turned over to the treasuries [illegible]

[illegible] importance of the other societies by calling attention [illegible]

[illegible]ly excepting three months during [illegible] that we shall have as good [illegible]

[illegible] as charter members. The Brotherhood has met once each month with a fair attendance. Dr. Kullberg is the chairman.

March the 12th (1933) this year was a high day for Trinity when the Initial Service was conducted in the basement of the new church. At this service the Lord's Supper was celebrated when 135 communed. A festive song service was held in the evening. The attendance that day filled the church to capacity.

As soon as the new church was being used, plans were begun to remodel the parish house into a parsonage. Partitions were put in, the old floors sand papered, a new floor laid in the living room, the walls papered, bath room fixtures, etc. The old building put on an entirely new and satisfactory appearance. It has eight rooms besides bathroom and two halls. When the proper heating equipment has been installed, it will be as comfortable and convenient a parsonage as can be found in the conference. The pastor is using the sacristy of the new church for his office.

It is quite evident that with a large building program on hand, the financial obligations would be a problem. Trinity has, however, a number of members who [illegible] from individuals and banks, which in turn have been endorsed by individual board members. There are a number of outstanding bills which, together with the loans, are due and payable at this time. Everything has been done to economize. The pastor has voluntarily reduced his salary $400 per year. The financial secretary who was voted a remuneration of $100 per year has refused to accept it. The organist and janitor service has been given gratis again this year. We sincerely request that every member do his or her part in supporting the financial needs of our church.

We desire hereby to thank everyone who has morally and financially come to the assistance of the church; all the societies' committees and officers who have served. Especially do we thank the Board members. Those who have served their term of office are: deacons, Victor Gustafson, C. O. Moberg, and Dr. R. W. Kullberg; trustees: Wm. Johanson, Fred Nordstrom and Chas. M. Soderberg.

The following pastoral acts have been performed: Baptisms, 19 infants, one adult; Confirmed 8; Marriages 6, two persons were members; Funerals 25, one was a member; New Members received; 19 communicants and three children; Dismissals, [illegible] received letters of transfer and forty delinquents have been dropped. At this time we have 268 communicant members and 69 children.

A heartfelt thanks is hereby expressed by me personally, for every kindness to [illegible] realize my shortcomings and inability to [illegible] before us shall be more profitable in [illegible] constituent of Trinity.

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REPORT
of
TRINITY LUTHERAN BUILDING FUND
Astoria, Oregon

See page 5

RECEIPTS

1931		
Jan.	Birthday S. & Board Contribution of $6.39,	$ 18.83
2/27	Birthday Social,	21.17
3/27	" "	14.50
4/24	" "	17.45
5/29	" "	16.65
6/26	" "	17.06
7/31	" "	15.83
	Interest	.64
8/11	Luther League	74.91
8/28	Birthday Social	14.06
9/25	" "	15.50
10/30	" "	17.30
11/27	" "	14.66
Dec.	" "	13.56
	Interest	2.94
1932		
Jan.	Birthday Social	13.30
Feb.	" "	15.59
Mar.	" "	12.05
Apr.	" "	16.50
May	Bricks	22.00
"	"	11.30
"	"	18.50
"	Birthday Social	10.47
June	Interest	6.75
"	Bricks	10.50
"	"	34.50
"	E. B. Hughes	50.00
"	Bricks	8.75
"	Boys Chorus	30.00
"	Birthday Social	13.70
July	N. Rasmussen	100.00
"	Gallant	25.00
"	Luther League	3.21
"	Interest	1.48
"	Bricks	5.50
"	Fred Soderberg	10.00
"	Capt. J.E. Haggbloom	100.00
"	Dedication	12.55
"	Mrs Nyland, Bricks	5.00
"	Mr. Moberg	100.00
"	Bricks	10.00
"	Karinen Printery	10.00
"	Mrs. Siem	10.00
"	Pictures	1.05
"	Bricks	5.00
"	Old Church & Parsonage	891.31
"	Owl Drug Store	25.00
"	Mr. A. Backlund	4.25
"	Rev. G. K. Andeen	2.00
"	Bricks	3.00
"	Stanglund Lawn Soc.	75.36
"	Birthday Social	15.59
Aug.	Mr. A. G. Backlund	40.00
"	Mr. A. W. Norblad	35.00
"	Bricks	1.00
"	Tillie Erickson	50.00
"	Chas S. Johnson	5.00
"	Ethel Wicks	25.00
"	Ed Larson	100.00
"	Bricks	14.00
	Total carried fwd.	2,234.27

1932		
Aug.	Total Brought Fwd.	$2,234.27
"	Esther Larson	5.00
"	Bricks	1.50
"	E. W. Bjork	5.00
"	Mrs. Lidberg	5.00
"	Bricks	4.00
"	Miss Anna Bergman	20.00
"	C. A. Larson	300.00
"	Fred Nordstrom	50.00
"	Building Rally	23.01
"	G. A. Hellberg	10.00
"	Ladies Aid	4.83
"	Bricks	1.50
"	Mr. S. C. Turner	10.00
"	Capt. Haggbloom	100.00
"	Pictures	.50
"	Boat Excursion L.L.	46.00
"	Pictures	.50
"	"	.50
"	Bricks	13.00
"	Birthday Social	12.49
"	J. A. Martin	25.00
"	R. W. Kullberg	50.00
"	Capt Lofstedt	25.00
"	River Pilots	27.00
"	Helen Westersund	25.00
Sept.	Mr. Norblad	25.00
"	Mr. Moberg	10.00
"	Nils Rasmussen	50.00
"	Bricks	2.50
"	A. E. Peterson	5.00
"	Mrs. I. Hagglund	4.00
"	Ruth Rasmus	10.00
"	R. W. Kullberg	25.00
"	J. A. Martin	25.00
"	Bricks	1.50
"	Dorcas Society	25.00
"	Grimstad	100.00
"	Slusher	10.00
"	Bricks	.50
"	"	6.50
"	Mr. Moberg	10.00
"	Fred Soderberg	5.00
"	Mr. Norblad	40.00
"	Bricks	2.50
"	Wedding Cert.	.25
"	Julius Anderson	5.00
"	Capt. Elfving	150.00
"	Mr. Hellberg	10.00
"	Bricks	10.00
"	Return from Labor Ck.	3.80
"	Mrs. Engbretson (elder)	10.00
"	Chas M. Soderberg	10.00
"	Bricks (Ed. Elfving)	1.00
Oct.	Capt. Haggbloom	100.00
"	Anne Bergman	20.00
"	Ed Larson	10.00
Sept.	Birthday Social	8.00
"	Loose Col. at Corner Stone Laying,	49.41
"	Bricks	1.00
Oct.	"	1.25
"	"	2.00
	Total Carried Fwd.	$3749.31

Report
Trinity Lutheran Building Fund

RECEIPTS, Continued

1932		
Oct.	Brot Fwd. Pg.1.	$ 3,748.31
" 5	Chas. Soderberg	10.00
" 5	C. Moberg	10.00
" 5	Interest	6.75
" 5	R. W. Kullberg	50.00
" 6	Laura Anderson (Bricks)	16.60
"	Rev. Martin	25.00
" 7	Mrs. Tillie Erickson	25.00
10	Andrew Lee	1.00
11	Mr. John Anderson	30.00
13	Jennie Holmgren	10.00
	Brick	.50
14	Mr. Hellberg	5.00
	Mr. Elfving	150.00
15	Nils Rasmussen	25.00
17	Emil Rasmus	5.00
	R. W. Kullberg	25.00
	Mr. A. G. Backlund	40.00
	Mr. A. E. Engbretsen	100.00
	Rev. J. A. Martin	45.08
18	C. O. Moberg	3.50
	Mrs. Sjosten	25.00
	Capt Haggblom (Loan)	1,000.00
	Mr. Slusher	10.00
	Anton Christensen	10.00
20	Brick	.50
Sept.	Rev. Martin for Cor. Stn.	1.41
"	C. A. Larson " " "	.50
Oct.	Bricks	2.50
"	Capt Lofstedt (Loan)	500.00
Nov. 2	Miss Signe Engberg	25.00
"	Mrs. Lidberg	25.00
" 4	Mrs. R. Hoyer (Vasa S.C.)	5.00
	Bricks	2.50
Oct.	Birthday Social	13.25
Nov. 5	Mr. Slusher	10.00
" 9	Bricks	1.50
16	"	1.00
18	Dr. Kullberg	45.00
19	N. Rasmussen	10.00
	Ethel Wicks	25.00
21	Capt Haggblom	50.00
	Brick (Jackson)	.50
	Mr. Moberg	75.00
	Wm. Kullberg	1.00
	Mrs. Johnson	5.00
	Mrs. Engbretsen	5.00
	Ronald Martin	1.00
	Anna Hovgaard	2.00
	Mabel Soderberg	1.00
	Mrs. Wolf	.50
	Gloria Engbretsen	1.00
	Laddie "	1.00
	Richard Soderberg	1.00
	Elmer Jacobson	5.00
	Mrs. Jackson	1.00
	Anne Bergman	10.00
	Ladies Aid	10.00
	M. Nyland	10.00
	Mrs. Tillie Erickson	10.00
	Agda Carlson	5.00
	Arthur Soderberg	5.00
	Offering L.L.Program	10.79
	Total Carried Fwd	$6,255.69

1932		
Nov. 21	Brot Forward	$6,255.69
" 21	Mrs. Edling	1.00
	Douglas Martin	1.00
	J. A. Martin	5.00
	Esther Larson	5.00
	Mabel Johnson	10.00
	L. Hoyer	10.00
22	Chas. G. Johnson	5.00
	Ruth Rasmus	10.00
	Mr. Backlund	10.00
	Mrs. Capt Swanson	
	Brick	1.00
	Agnes Young	5.00
	Mrs. Mackey	1.00
	A.E. Engbretson	50.00
	Unknown	.30
	J.A.Martin, (Pd Labor)	3.00
	J. A. Martin	5.00
25	Birthday Social	11.91
26	R. W. Kullberg	5.00
27	Ronald Martin	1.50
28	Bk. of Commerce Loan	500.00
29	Helen Westersund	5.00
Dec. 2	From Memorial Church	20.23
4	Mrs. Mattson	1.00
5	Memorial Church	480.00
	Capt. Larson	50.00
12	Anton Josephson	5.00
	Bricks	1.00
16	C.A.Hendrickson	15.00
21	A.E.Engbretsen	50.00
27	Rev. Martin	40.00
31	Pac. Fish Co. (Berg)	22.50
	Birthday Social	14.40
1933		
Jan. 4	Mr. Hemingson, June. Retirement on Plg,	5.00
9	Johanna Rasmussen	100.00
16	J.F.Christians	5.00
21	Bank Loan	1500.00
Feb. 4	Thora Rasmussen	15.00
7	Mrs. Ann Hoovgard	10.00
21	Ladies Aid	100.00
	Birthday Social Jan	6.20
23	Capt Lofstedt	50.00
Mar. 5	Mrs Hanna Johnson	10.00
8	Mr & Mrs Jorgensen	5.00
	? Birthday Social	.31
12	Johnson Family Seattle	25.00
	A.E.Engbretson	25.00
15	Ladies Aid	20.00
	S.School Treas.	25.00
16	Luther League	2.50
20	" Bros.	11.80
	A. G. Backlund	10.00
24	R. W. Kullberg	10.00
Apr. 1	R. W. Kullberg	15.00
	Birthday Social	5.71
3	E. Rasmus	30.00
	Rev. Martin	1.00
	Church Board	18.00
15	Memorial S.S.Fd.	40.00
	Total Crd. Fwd.	$[illegible]6.05

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Receipts, Continued

1933		
Apr.15	Brought Forward	$9,646.05
17	Mrs Sandstrom	.50
16	Anne Bergman	25.00
	Ed Larson	5.00
	J. A. Martin	5.00
	C. O. Moberg	5.00
	C. A. Larson	5.00
	Other Loose offering	72.86
	A.E.Engbretsen	10.00
15	J. A. Martin	5.00
18	Mrs. Sjosten	25.00
19	Mr. Kraetch	25.00
27	Asron Anderson, Calif.	1.00
	Mrs. Johnson, Knappa	1.00
28	Mrs. Lidberg, June Pd.	5.00
	Birthday Social	7.75
May 5	Tillie Erickson	15.00
14	C. F. Christians, Jn.Pd	5.00
20	R. W. Kullberg	10.00
21	Emil Rasmus	20.00
22	Mrs. Gallant	10.00
26	Birthday Social	12.19
	Miss Engberg, June Pd	5.00
June 3	Victor Gustafson " "	5.00
	Chas Soderberg " "	5.00
4	Felis " " "	5.00
	R.W.Kullberg " "	10.00
	R.W.Kullberg for Oscar Erickson	6.00
5	Capt. Haggblom, June Pd	10.00
6	Herman Slotte " "	5.00
	Capt Elfving " "	7.50
	Albert Engbretsen" "	20.00
	Paul Stangland	2.00
19	E. Lempe	5.00
23	A. Hemmingson, Jn Pd	5.00
30	Rev J.A.Martin, " "	5.00
	Birthday Social	12.10
	C.O.Moberg	3.50
	Junior Mission Band	20.00
	Rev. Martin	30.48
	" "	5.00
July 3	C.O.Moberg, June Pd.	5.00
	Chas Soderberg " "	5.00
	Chas Larson " "	5.00
5	Johanna and Nils Rasmussen, Jn. Pd.	10.00
10	Phebe Ring	5.00
13	Anton Josephson	5.00
14	F.S.Elfving	100.00
	Capt. Larson	100.00
	Capt. Haggblom	100.00
	A. W. Kullberg	100.00
28	Birthday Social	9.20
	J.F.Christians to lbr.	7.00
Aug. 6	Felix Soderberg	10.00
1	Rev. Martin, June Pd.	5.00
	Excursion	36.40
	"	.70
	Ruth Rasmus	5.00
Sept.9	Johanna & Nils Rasmussen	10.00
12	Ladies Aid	20.00
	Aug. Birthday Social	6.20
	Carried Fwd.	$10,627.43

1933		
Sept.12,	Brot Fwd.	$10,627.43
	Edward Verscherun	1.00
	Mrs. Johnson, of Brownsmead	5.00
	C.M.Soderberg	2.00
	Arthur "	1.00
	Felix "	2.00
	Karl E. "	1.00
	Fred Swanson	2.00
	Mrs. Seim	1.00
	Dagney Sjolund	2.00
20	A.E.Engbretsen	25.00
	Anne Bergman	5.00
22	John E. Haggblom	5.00
	Rasmus	2.00
	Nils Rasmussen	5.00
	Mrs. Sjosten	1.00
	Herman Slotte	2.00
	John Slotte	1.00
	C.O.Moberg	1.00
	Signe Engberg	5.00
	F.S.Elving	5.00
	Mrs. Anna Engbretsen	1.00
	Kermit Eaton	1.00
	Axel Finney	1.00
	Victor Gustafson	5.00
	Ladies Aid, Papering Painting, Plumbing	132.70
Oct. 2	J. F. Christians	5.00
	Chas Fors	2.00
	K. A. Sandstrom	10.00
	Wm. Carlson	2.00
	P.H.Kraetch	2.00
	Sept. Birthday Soc.	7.93
	Wm. Wisbeck	2.00
	P. L. Yost	5.00
	Agnes Young	5.00
	Ed Westersund	1.00
	Victor "	1.00
	C.A.Hendrickson	2.00
	Housewarming Tea	28.27
4	J.A.Martin	2.00
	Mrs. Maki	.50
6	P. A. Larson	2.00
	C. A. Larson	5.00
	Ed Larson	1.00
	John Larson	1.00
	Mrs. Lidberg	2.00
	Mrs. L. Larson	2.00
	C. Baker	2.00
	Mrs. Birch	5.00
	Ladies Aid for Elec.	25.00
	C.M.Soderberg, Nov.Pd	5.00
12	Mr.Westersund	200.00
	Mat Nyland	250.00
	Ruth Gustafson	5.00
18	J. Reith	5.00
	Mabel Johnson	5.00
	Haggblom, Nov.Pd	10.00
	Ladies Aid, Hdware	25.89
24	Astoria Lbr.Co.	10.00
25	Signe Engberg Nov.Pd	5.00
	Mrs. Lidberg " "	5.00
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	Total Carried Fwd.	11494.72

RECEIPTS, Continued

1933		
Nov.25,	Brot Forward	$11494.72
	Trin L. Bros.	3.80
24	Ladies Aid, Paint	20.00
26	Oct. Birthday Soc.	9.61
Nov. 9	Ladies Aid. Hdw.	20.00
21	V.Gustafson, Nov Pd	5.00
	Ruth Rasmus " "	5.00
22	Ladies Aid	50.00
	Dorcas Society	20.00
	Rev. Martin	5.75
	Total Car. Fwd.	$11633.88

1933		
Nov.24.	Brot. Forward,	$11,633.88
	Birthday Social Nov.	9.31
Dec. 1	Ladies Aid.	75.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS Jan. 1931 to Dec. 1, 1933	$11,718.19

DISBURSEMENTS

1932		
July 14	Karinen Printery Bks.	101.50
20	John Alderman Truck Dr.	12.00
Aug. 1	Building Permit	6.00
3	Ch. Ex. Fund, Int.	150.00
8	Ed Ek Par Hs. Furnace	20.00
	Thomasons Window Frms	120.00
11	O.Erickson Labor	25.00
13	Ast. Lbr. Co.	222.97
	Hermann Benson, Labor	25.00
	Hermann Slotte "	35.00
	Chas Fors "	25.00
	Wm Carlson "	25.00
	Elmer Lofgren "	25.00
	V. Westersund "	25.00
	Gus Peterson "	25.00
	Axel Cederberg "	25.00
	Emil Lofgren "	10.00
	Mat Anderson "	7.00
	Matt Nyland "	10.00
18	Brookfield, Cement Sand, Gravel,	808.75
26	John Wicks, Material	50.00
	Simonson Labor	15.00
27	Labor--Check	195.00
	A.Backlund, gas etc.	4.25
Sept 2	Pay Roll	147.50
10	" "	131.25
	Expense Trip to Portd.	5.00
	Astoria Lbr. Co.	300.00
	Mr. Wicks	25.00
14	Astoria Lbr. Co.	221.27
16	Labor Check	187.50
24	" "	176.75
Oct. 1	" "	211.00
	Standard Oil Co.	31.52
3	Mat Nyland	15.75
	Marshall Wells	163.83
	Victor Jackson	4.25
	Plumbing Permit	3.50
8	State Ind. Acc. Com.	55.50
Sept.	" " " "	44.72
Oct.14	Long Distance calls	2.30
15	Labor Check	210.00
17	Marshall Wells, Pipe	45.08
	Ed Ek	5.70
	Mr. Wicks	20.00
18	Plumbing Permit	3.50
	Total Carried Fwd.	$3,979.04

1932		
Oct. 1	Brot Forward	$3,979.04
	Marshall Wells copper	206.03
	Astoria Lbr. Co.	412.05
	Fisher Bros Co.	163.26
	Brookfield Co.	270.55
	Laws Co.	6.94
	Buds Express	7.58
	Mar.Wells--cash	5.48
	Express charges	.70
Sept 1.	Put in corner stn.	1.91
Oct 24	Astoria Lbr. Co.	126.20
24	Pay Roll check	144.35
25	" " "	10.00
	Buds Express	.50
28	Pay Check	178.30
Nov.1	Mr. Hellstrom	91.00
2	Taxes on checks	.52
	Ed Ek	25.00
8	Roy Engberg	16.25
9	State Ind. A. C.	43.62
10	E.A.Schroeder	50.00
16	M.Wells via Slotte	44.00
22	Mr. Cato	20.00
	Mr. Savola	4.50
	Cecil Moberg	1.50
Oct.18	G.T.McClean	10.00
Nov25	Astoria Lbr. Co.	200.00
28	Astoria Mfg. Co.	104.74
	B.Billie Lbr.Co.	33.76
	Pay Roll	100.00
	Astoria Lumber Co.	205.04
	Labor by Dr. Kullberg	4.50
	" " J.A.Martin	3.00
30	Pay Roll	24.00
Dec.1	Ed Ek	50.00
	Mr. Wicks	10.00
2	Astoria Water	14.03
1	Tax on checks	.36
5	James Hanson Roffing	43 00
	Brookfield "	480.00
	Gus Peterson	50.00
	Col. Hosp. Htg Equpt	10.00
20	Pay Roll	225.00
29	Paid on note	90.00
	Total carried Fwd.	50.00
		$7516.01

DISBURSEMENTS, Continued

1933		
Jan.1,	Brought Forward	$ 7,516.91
9	For wire etc.Elec.	175.00
12	Insurance	24.00
17	James Hansen Roffing	40.00
18	Ed Ek, tinning etc	50.00
	Harry Bowen, MillWk.	100.00
20	Roy Engberg	5.00
	Cato	20.00
24	Larson Elec.	20.00
	Matt Nyland	10.00
	Oscar Peterson	10.00
26	Glass, freight	1.70
	J.E.Wicks	25.00
	SP&S Boiler&Frt.	244.03
	W.P.Fuller, Glass	50.30
27	Note	50.00
28	Roy Engberg	10.00
31	Floyd Larson	25.50
Feb.3	Thomason's, mill work	43.30
	John Olson	7.50
6	Roy Engberg	5.00
7	Pay roll	120.00
8	SP&S Radiators & Fans	142.60
10	Laws, fittings	16.09
	Roy Engberg	10.00
	SP&S Fittings	17.42
11	Fredrickson, Plaster	100.00
	Grimstad, "	50.00
20	Brookfield	200.00
	Tax on checks	.56
22	Pay roll	100.00
24	Harry Bowen	50.00
	Astoria Lumber Co.	66.00
	City of Astoria Permit	4.45
	Note payment	50.00
Mar.1	Tax on checks	.30
11	Mr. Hagnas	6.00
14	M-Wells, Plumbing	85.34
	P.A.S. Freight	2.92
16	Hagnas	5.00
	Schroeder, Mill work	40.00
20	Hagnas	5.00
	Cato	5.00
24	Roy Engberg	1.00
	Arne Abrahamsen	3.45
27	Roy Engberg	5.00
Apr.1	Mr. Cato	5.00
	Mr. Schroeder in full	16.45
	Mr. Hagnas	5.00
	Roy Engberg	1.00
2	Plumbing Permit	2.00
3	Electric "	1.00
	Mr.Hagnas,(thru Rasmus)	30.00
6	M-Wells, heet metal	9.65
7	Cato	10.00
8	Mr. Hagnas	10.00
15	Cato	5.00
17	Int on $1500 note	26.25
	Note payment	50.00
18	Merit Paint Store	20.74
	Ed Ek on acct	20.00
	Astoria Lbr. Co	20.00
	B.Billie Lbr. Co.	20.00
19	Roy Engberg	5.00
21	Carl Johanson	1.68
22	Chas Ettro	22.50
	Total Carried Fwd.	$9800.64

1933		
Apr22	Brot Forward	$9,800.64
26	Gus Mattson	15.00
29	C. Cato	10.00
May 5	SP&S for windows	35.00
	Hagnas	10.00
9	Cato	5.00
15	Roy Engberg	1.00
Apr.7	Cato	15.00
	Checks	.10
May20	Mr. Hagnas	9.00
21	" "	20.00
22	Mr. Cato	10.00
26	Roy Engberg	5.00
29	Mr. Cato	10.00
	Oscar Erickson	6.00
Jn.10	Note Pd. Bk of Com/	50.00
	Ast. Com. College	1.50
	Ed Ek	5.00
	Rolling Shades	50.48
Jl.1	Interest on note	16.33
14	" "	26.25
	Paid on note	400.00
Aug 1	Prtg. Tkts for Exc.	2.50
July	Oscar Peterson by C.O.Moberg	3.50
	Labor pd by J.F.C.	7.00
Aug 7	Merit Paint Store	10.00
1	Glass for Parsonage	10.50
7	Bank Note	50.00
Sep13	" "	50.00
20	A.M.Straw, oil	7.00
	W.E.Laws, on acct	10.00
	Ed Ek	8.00
	Papering, Painting,&c	132.70
Oct 2	Doors, labor, hdw kitchen	28.27
6	Larson Electric	25.00
12	Mr.Westersund)	200.00
	Mat Nyland) For old bldg.	250.00
18	Astoria Lbr. co.	35.00
	Interest, Haggblom Note	60.00
	Int. on note Wirkala	54.00
	Hardware	26.89
24	Int. on large note	19.25
	Merit Paint Store	20.00
Nov 9	Hardware	20.00
22	Ed Ek, furnace for parsonage	50.00
	" " " "	20.00
	Rev. Martin pd for lawn	5.75
Dec.1	Paid on Note	100.00

TOTAL PAYMENTS
July 14 1932 to
Dec. 1, 1933, $11,706.66

REPORT

OF

TRINITY LUTHERAN BUILDING FUND

as at

December 1, 1933

R. W. Hullberg
Treasurer.

REPORT
of
TRINITY LUTHERAN BUILDING FUND
Astoria, Oregon

RECEIPTS

1931		
Jan.	Birthday S. & Board Contribution of $6.39,	$ 18.83
2/27	Birthday Social,	21.17
3/27	" "	14.50
4/24	" "	17.45
5/29	" "	16.65
6/26	" "	17.06
7/31	" "	15.83
	Interest	.64
8/11	Luther League	74.91
8/28	Birthday Social	14.06
9/25	" "	15.50
10/30	" "	17.30
11/27	" "	14.66
Dec.	" "	13.56
	Interest	2.94
1932		
Jan.	Birthday Social	13.30
Feb.	" "	15.59
Mar.	" "	12.05
Apr.	" "	16.50
May	Bricks	22.00
"	"	11.30
"	"	18.50
"	Birthday Social	10.47
June	Interest	6.75
"	Bricks	10.50
"	"	34.50
"	E. B. Hughes	50.00
"	Bricks	8.75
"	Boys Chorus	30.00
"	Birthday Social	13.70
July	N. Rasmussen	100.00
"	Gallant	25.00
"	Luther League	3.21
"	Interest	1.48
"	Bricks	5.50
"	Fred Soderberg	10.00
"	Capt. J.E. Haggbloom	100.00
"	Dedication	12.55
"	Mrs Nyland, Bricks	5.00
"	Mr. Moberg	100.00
"	Bricks	10.00
"	Karinen Printery	10.00
"	Mrs. Siem	10.00
"	Pictures	1.05
"	Bricks	5.00
"	Old Church & Parsonage	891.31
"	Owl Drug Store	25.00
"	Mr. A. Backlund	4.25
"	Rev. G. K. Andeen	2.00
"	Bricks	3.00
"	Stanglund Lawn Soc.	75.36
"	Birthday Social	15.59
Aug.	Mr. A. G. Backlund	40.00
"	Mr. A. W. Norblad	35.00
"	Bricks	1.00
"	Tillie Erickson	50.00
"	Chas S. Johnson	5.00
"	Ethel Wicks	25.00
"	Ed Larson	100.00
"	Bricks	14.00
	Total carried fwd.	2,234.27

1932		
Aug.	Total Brought Fwd.	$2,234.27
"	Esther Larson	5.00
"	Bricks	1.50
"	E. W. Bjork	5.00
"	Mrs. Lidberg	5.00
"	Bricks	4.00
"	Miss Anna Bergman	20.00
"	C. A. Larson	300.00
"	Fred Nordstrom	50.00
"	Building Rally	23.01
"	G. A. Hellberg	10.00
"	Ladies Aid	4.83
"	Bricks	1.50
"	Mr. S. C. Turner	10.00
"	Capt. Haggbloom	100.00
"	Pictures	.50
"	Boat Excursion L.L.	46.00
"	Pictures	.50
"	"	.50
"	Bricks	13.00
"	Birthday Social	12.49
"	J. A. Martin	25.00
"	R. W. Kullberg	50.00
"	Capt Lofstedt	25.00
"	River Pilots	27.00
"	Helen Westersund	25.00
Sept.	Mr. Norblad	25.00
"	Mr. Moberg	10.00
"	Nils Rasmussen	50.00
"	Bricks	2.50
"	A. E. Peterson	5.00
"	Mrs. I. Hagglund	4.00
"	Ruth Rasmus	10.00
"	R. W. Kullberg	25.00
"	J. A. Martin	25.00
"	Bricks	1.50
"	Dorcas Society	25.00
"	Grimstad	100.00
"	Slusher	10.00
"	Bricks	.50
"	"	6.50
"	Mr. Moberg	10.00
"	Fred Soderberg	5.00
"	Mr. Norblad	40.00
"	Bricks	2.50
"	Wedding Cert.	.25
"	Julius Anderson	5.00
"	Capt. Elfving	150.00
"	Mr. Hellberg	10.00
"	Bricks	10.00
"	Return from Labor Ck.	3.80
"	Mrs. Engbretson (elder)	10.00
"	Chas M. Soderberg	10.00
"	Bricks(Ed. Elfving)	1.00
Oct.	Capt. Haggbloom	100.00
"	Anne Bergman	20.00
"	Ed Larson	10.00
Sept.	Birthday Social	8.00
"	Loose Col. at Corner Stone Laying,	49.41
"	Bricks	1.00
Oct.	"	1.25
"	"	2.00
	Total Carried Fwd.	$3748.31

Report
Trinity Lutheran Building Fund

RECEIPTS, Continued

1932		
Oct.	Brot Fwd. Pg.1.	$ 3,748.31
" 5	Chas. Soderberg	10.00
" 5	C. Moberg	10.00
" 5	Interest	6.75
" 5	R. W. Kullberg	50.00
" 6	Laura Anderson (Bricks)	16.60
"	Rev. Martin	25.00
" 7	Mrs. Tillie Erickson	25.00
10	Andrew Lee	1.00
11	Mr. John Anderson	30.00
13	Jennie Holmgren	10.00
	Brick	.50
14	Mr. Hellberg	5.00
	Mr. Elfving	150.00
15	Nils Rasmussen	25.00
17	Emil Rasmus	5.00
	R. W. Kullberg	25.00
	Mr. A. G. Backlund	40.00
	Mr. A. E. Engbretsen	100.00
	Rev. J. A. Martin	45.08
18	C. O. Moberg	3.50
	Mrs. Sjosten	25.00
	Capt Haggblom (Loan)	1,000.00
	Mr. Slusher	10.00
	Anton Christensen	10.00
20	Brick	.50
Sept.	Rev. Martin for Cor. Stn.	1.41
"	C. A. Larson " " "	.50
Oct.	Bricks	2.50
"	Capt Lofstedt (Loan)	500.00
Nov. 2	Miss Signe Engberg	25.00
"	Mrs. Lidberg	25.00
" 4	Mrs. R. Hoyer (Vasa S.C.)	5.00
	Bricks	2.50
Oct.	Birthday Social	13.25
Nov. 5	Mr. Slusher	10.00
" 9	Bricks	1.50
16	"	1.00
18	Dr. Kullberg	45.00
19	N. Rasmussen	10.00
	Ethel Wicks	25.00
21	Capt Haggblom	50.00
	Brick (Jackson)	.50
	Mr. Moberg	75.00
	Wm. Kullberg	1.00
	Mrs. Johnson	5.00
	Mrs. Engbretsen	5.00
	Ronald Martin	1.00
	Anna Hovgaard	2.00
	Mabel Soderberg	1.00
	Mrs. Wolf	.50
	Gloria Engbretsen	1.00
	Laddie "	1.00
	Richard Soderberg	1.00
	Elmer Jacobson	5.00
	Mrs. Jackson	1.00
	Anne Bergman	10.00
	Ladies Aid	10.00
	M. Nyland	10.00
	Mrs. Tillie Erickson	10.00
	Agda Carlson	5.00
	Arthur Soderberg	5.00
	Offering L.L.Program	10.79
	Total Carried Fwd	$6,255.69

1932		
Nov. 21	Brot Forward	$6,255.69
" 21	Mrs. Edling	1.00
	Douglas Martin	1.00
	J. A. Martin	5.00
	Esther Larson	5.00
	Mabel Johnson	10.00
	L. Hoyer	10.00
22	Chas. G. Johnson	5.00
	Ruth Rasmus	10.00
	Mr. Backlund	10.00
	Mrs. Capt Swanson Brick	1.00
	Agnes Young	5.00
	Mrs. Mackey	1.00
	A.E. Engbretson	50.00
	Unknown	.30
	J.A.Martin, (Pd Labor)	3.00
	J. A. Martin	5.00
25	Birthday Social	11.91
26	R. W. Kullberg	5.00
27	Ronald Martin	1.50
28	Bk. of Commerce Loan	500.00
29	Helen Westersund	5.00
Dec. 2	From Memorial Church	20.23
4	Mrs. Mattson	1.00
5	Memorial Church	480.00
	Capt. Larson	50.00
12	Anton Josephson	5.00
	Bricks	1.00
16	C.A.Hendrickson	15.00
21	A.E.Engbretsen	50.00
27	Rev. Martin	40.00
31	Pac. Fish Co. (Berg)	22.50
	Birthday Social	14.40
1933		
Jan. 4	Mr. Hemingson, June. Retirement on Plg,	5.00
9	Johanna Rasmussen	100.00
16	J.F.Christians	5.00
21	Bank Loan	1500.00
Feb. 4	Thora Rasmussen	15.00
7	Mrs. Ann Hoovgard	10.00
21	Ladies Aid	100.00
	Birthday Social Jan	6.20
23	Capt Lofstedt	50.00
Mar. 5	Mrs Hanna Johnson	10.00
8	Mr & Mrs Jorgensen	5.00
	? Birthday Social	.31
12	Johnson Family Seattle	25.00
	A.E.Engbretson	25.00
15	Ladies Aid	20.00
	S.School Treas.	25.00
16	Luther League	2.50
20	" Bros.	11.80
	A. G. Backlund	10.00
24	R. W. Kullberg	10.00
Apr. 1	R. W. Kullberg	15.00
	Birthday Social	5.71
3	E. Rasmus	30.00
	Rev. Martin	1.00
	Church Board	18.00
15	Memorial S.S.Fd.	40.00
	Total Crd. Fwd.	$13,[illegible]6.05

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Receipts, Continued

1933		
Apr.15	Brought Forward	$9,646.05
17	Mrs Sandstrom	.50
16	Anne Bergman	25.00
	Ed Larson	5.00
	J. A. Martin	5.00
	C. O. Moberg	5.00
	C. A. Larson	5.00
	Other Loose offering	72.86
	A.E.Engbretsen	10.00
15	J. A. Martin	5.00
18	Mrs. Sjosten	25.00
19	Mr. Kraetch	25.00
27	Asron Anderson, Calif.	1.00
	Mrs. Johnson, Knappa	1.00
28	Mrs. Lidberg, June Pd.	5.00
	Birthday Social	7.75
May 5	Tillie Erickson	15.00
14	C. F. Christians, Jn.Pd	5.00
20	R. W. Kullberg	10.00
21	Emil Rasmus	20.00
22	Mrs. Gallant	10.00
26	Birthday Social	12.19
	Miss Engberg, June Pd	5.00
June 3	Victor Gustafson " "	5.00
	Chas Soderberg " "	5.00
4	Felis " " "	5.00
	R.W.Kullberg " "	10.00
	R.W.Kullberg for Oscar Erickson	6.00
5	Capt. Haggblom, June Pd	10.00
6	Herman Slotte " "	5.00
	Capt Elfving " "	7.50
	Albert Engbretsen" "	20.00
	Paul Stangland	2.00
19	E. Lempe	5.00
23	A. Hemmingson, Jn Pd	5.00
30	Rev J.A.Martin, " "	5.00
	Birthday Social	12.10
	C.O.Moberg	3.50
	Junior Mission Band	20.00
	Rev. Martin	30.48
	" "	5.00
July 3	C.O.Moberg, June Pd.	5.00
	Chas Soderberg " "	5.00
	Chas Larson " "	5.00
5	Johanna and Nils Rasmussen, Jn. Pd.	10.00
10	Phebe Ring	5.00
13	Anton Josephson	5.00
14	F.S.Elfving	100.00
	Capt. Larson	100.00
	Capt. Haggblom	100.00
	A. W. Kullberg	100.00
28	Birthday Social	9.20
	J.F.Christians to lbr.	7.00
Aug. 6	Felix Soderberg	10.00
1	Rev. Martin, June Pd.	5.00
	Excursion	36.40
	"	.70
	Ruth Rasmus	5.00
Sept.9	Johanna & Nils Rasmussen	10.00
11	Ladies Aid	20.00
	Aug. Birthday Social	6.20
	Carried Fwd.	$10,627.43

1933		
Sept.12,	Brot Fwd.	$10,627.43
	Edward Verscherun	1.00
	Mrs. Johnson, of Brownsmead	5.00
	C.M.Soderberg	2.00
	Arthur "	1.00
	Felix "	2.00
	Karl E. "	1.00
	Fred Swanson	2.00
	Mrs. Seim	1.00
	Dagney Sjolund	2.00
20	A.E.Engbretsen	25.00
	Anne Bergman	5.00
22	John E. Haggblom	5.00
	Rasmus	2.00
	Nils Rasmussen	5.00
	Mrs. Sjosten	1.00
	Herman Slotte	2.00
	John Slotte	1.00
	C.O.Moberg	1.00
	Signe Engberg	5.00
	F.S.Elving	5.00
	Mrs. Anna Engbretsen	1.00
	Kermit Eaton	1.00
	Axel Finney	1.00
	Victor Gustafson	5.00
	Ladies Aid, Papering Painting, Plumbing	132.70
Oct. 2	J. F. Christians	5.00
	Chas Fors	2.00
	K.A.Bendstrup	10.00
	Wm. Carlson	2.00
	P.H.Kraetch	2.00
	Sept. Birthday Soc.	7.93
	Wm. Wisbeck	2.00
	P. L. Yost	5.00
	Agnes Young	5.00
	Ed Westersund	1.00
	Victor "	1.00
	C.A.Hendrickson	2.00
	Housewarming Tea	28.27
4	J.A.Martin	2.00
	Mrs. Maki	.50
6	P. A. Larson	2.00
	C. A. Larson	5.00
	Ed Larson	1.00
	John Larson	1.00
	Mrs. Lidberg	2.00
	Mrs. L. Larson	2.00
	C. Baker	2.00
	Mrs. Birch	5.00
	Ladies Aid for Elec.	25.00
	C.M.Soderberg, Nov.Pd	5.00
12	Mr.Westersund	200.00
	Mat Nyland	250.00
	Ruth Gustafson	5.00
18	J. Reith	5.00
	Mabel Johnson	5.00
	Haggblom, Nov.Pd	10.00
	Ladies Aid, Hdware	26.89
24	Astoria Lbr.Co.	10.00
25	Signe Engberg Nov.Pd	5.00
	Mrs. Lidberg " "	5.00
	Hemmingson, " "	5.00
	Total Carried Fwd.	11494.72

RECEIPTS, Continued

1933		
Nov.25,	Brot Forward	$11494.72
	Trin L. Bros.	3.80
24	Ladies Aid, Paint	20.00
26	Oct. Birthday Soc.	9.61
Nov. 9	Ladies Aid. Hdw.	20.00
21	V.Gustafson, Nov Pd	5.00
	Ruth Rasmus " "	5.00
22	Ladies Aid	50.00
	Dorcas Society	20.00
	Rev. Martin	5.75
	Total Car. Fwd.	$11633.88

1933		
Nov.24.	Brot. Forward,	$11,633.88
	Birthday Social Nov.	9.31
Dec. 1	Ladies Aid.	75.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS Jan. 1931 to Dec. 1, 1933	$11,718.19

DISBURSEMENTS

1932		
July 14	Karinen Printery Bks.	101.50
20	John Alderman Truck Dr.	12.35
Aug. 1	Building Permit	6.00
3	Ch. Ex. Fund, Int.	150.00
8	Ed Ek Par Hs. Furnace	20.00
	Thomason's Window Frms	120.00
11	O.Erickson Labor	25.00
13	Ast. Lbr. Co.	222.97
	Herman Benson, Labor	25.00
	Herman Slotte "	35.00
	Chas Fors "	25.00
	Wm Carlson "	25.00
	Elmer Lofgren "	25.00
	V. Westersund "	25.00
	Gus Peterson "	25.00
	Axel Cederberg "	25.00
	Emil Lofgren "	10.00
	Mat Anderson "	7.00
	Matt Nyland "	10.00
18	Brookfield, Cement Sand, Gravel,	808.75
26	John Wicks, Material	50.00
	Simonson Labor	15.00
27	Labor--Check	195.00
	A.Backlund, gas etc.	4.25
Sept 2	Pay Roll	147.50
10	" "	131.25
	Expense Trip to Portd.	5.00
	Astoria Lbr. Co.	300.00
	Mr. Wicks	25.00
14	Astoria Lbr. Co.	221.27
16	Labor Check	187.50
24	" "	176.75
Oct. 1	" "	211.00
	Standard Oil Co.	31.52
3	Mat Nyland	15.75
	Marshall Wells	163.83
	Victor Jackson	4.25
	Plumbing Permit	3.50
8	State Ind. Acc. Com.	55.50
Sept.	" " " "	44.72
Oct.14	Long Distance calls	2.30
15	Labor Check	210.00
17	Marshall Wells, Pipe	45.08
	Ed Ek	5.70
	Mr. Wicks	20.00
18	Plumbing Permit	3.50
	Total Carried Fwd.	$3,979.04

1932		
Oct.18	Brot Forward	$3,979.04
	Marshall Wells copper	206.03
	Astoria Lbr. Co.	412.05
	Fisher Bros Co.	163.26
	Brookfield Co.	270.55
	Laws Co.	6.94
	Buds Express	7.58
	Mar.Wells--cash	5.48
	Express charges	.70
Sept 1.	Put in corner stn.	1.91
Oct 24	Astoria Lbr. Co.	126.20
24	Pay Roll check	144.35
25	" " "	10.00
	Buds Express	.50
28	Pay Check	178.30
Nov.1	Mr. Hellstrom	91.00
2	Taxes on checks	.52
	Ed Ek	25.00
8	Roy Engberg	16.25
9	State Ind. A. C.	43.62
10	E.A.Schroeder	50.00
16	M.Wells via Slotte	44.00
22	Mr. Cato	20.00
	Mr. Savola	4.50
	Cecil Moberg	1.50
Oct.18	G.T.McClean	10.00
Nov25	Astoria Lbr. Co.	200.00
28	Astoria Mfg. Co.	104.74
	B.Billie Lbr.Co.	33.76
	Pay Roll	100.00
	Astoria Lumber Co.	205.04
	Labor by Dr. Kullberg	4.50
	" " J.A.Martin	3.00
30	Pay Roll	24.00
Dec.1	Ed Ek	50.00
	Mr. Wicks	10.00
2	Astoria Water	14.23
1	Tax on checks	.36
5	James Hanson Roffing	43.00
	Brookfield	480.00
	"	50.00
	Gus Peterson	10.00
	Gen. Hosp. Htg Equpt	225.00
20	Pay Roll	90.00
29	Paid on note	50.00
	Total carried Fwd.	$7516.91

DISBURSEMENTS, Continued

1933		
Jan.1,	Brought Forward	$ 7,516.91
9	For wire etc.Elec.	175.00
12	Insurance	24.00
17	James Hansen Roffing	40.00
18	Ed Ek, tinning etc	50.00
	Harry Bowen, MillWk.	100.00
20	Roy Engberg	5.00
	Cato	20.00
24	Larson Elec.	20.00
	Matt Nyland	10.00
	Oscar Peterson	10.00
26	Glass, freight	1.70
	J.E.Wicks	25.00
	SP&S Boiler&Frt.	244.03
	W.P.Fuller, Glass	50.30
27	Note	50.00
28	Roy Engberg	10.00
31	Floyd Larson	25.50
Feb.3	Thomason's, mill work	43.30
	John Olson	7.50
6	Roy Engberg	5.00
7	Pay roll	120.00
8	SP&S Radiators & Fans	142.60
10	Laws, fittings	16.09
	Roy Engberg	10.00
	SP&S Fittings	17.42
11	Fredrickson, Plaster	100.00
	Grimstad, "	50.00
20	Brookfield	200.00
	Tax on checks	.56
22	Pay roll	100.00
24	Harry Bowen	50.00
	Astoria Lumber Co.	66.00
	City of Astoria Permit	4.45
	Note payment	50.00
Mar.1	Tax on checks	.30
11	Mr. Hagnas	6.00
14	M-Wells, Plumbing	85.34
	P.A.S. Freight	2.92
16	Hagnas	5.00
	Schroeder, Mill work	40.00
20	Hagnas	5.00
	Cato	5.00
24	Roy Engberg	1.00
	Arne Abrahamsen	3.45
27	Roy Engberg	5.00
Apr.1	Mr. Cato	5.00
	Mr. Schroeder in full	16.45
	Mr. Hagnas	5.00
	Roy Engberg	1.00
2	Plumbing Permit	2.00
3	Electric "	1.00
	Mr.Hagnas,(thru Rasmus)	30.00
6	M-Wells, heet metal	9.65
7	Cato	10.00
8	Mr. Hagnas	10.00
15	Cato	5.00
17	Int on $1500 note	26.25
	Note payment	50.00
18	Merit Paint Store	20.71
	Ed Ek on acct	20.00
	Astoria Lbr. Co	20.00
	B.Billie Lbr. Co.	20.00
19	Roy Engberg	5.00
21	Carl Johanson	1.68
22	Chas Ettro	22.50
	Total Carried Fwd.	$9800.64

1933		
Apr22	Brot Forward	$9,800.64
26	Gus Mattson	15.00
29	C. Cato	10.00
May 5	SP&S for windows	35.00
	Hagnas	10.00
9	Cato	5.00
15	Roy Engberg	1.00
Apr.7	Cato	15.00
	Checks	.10
May20	Mr. Hagnas	9.00
21	" "	20.00
22	Mr. Cato	10.00
26	Roy Engberg	5.00
29	Mr. Cato	10.00
	Oscar Erickson	6.00
Jn.10	Note Pd. Bk of Com/	50.00
	Ast. Com. College	1.50
	Ed Ek	5.00
	Rolling Shades	50.48
Jl.1	Interest on note	16.33
14	" "	26.25
	Paid on note	400.00
Aug 1	Prtg. Tkts for Exc.	2.50
July	Oscar Peterson by C.O.Moberg	3.50
	Labor pd by J.F.C.	7.00
Aug 7	Merit Paint Store	10.00
1	Glass for Parsonage	10.50
7	Bank Note	50.00
Sep13	"	50.00
20	A.M.Straw, oil	7.00
	W.E.Laws, on acct	10.00
	Ed Ek	8.00
	Papering, Painting,&c	132.70
Oct 2	Doors, labor, hdw kitchen	28.27
6	Larson Electric	25.00
12	Mr.Westersund)	200.00
	Mat Nyland) For old bldg.	250.00
18	Astoria Lbr. co.	35.00
	Interest, Haggblom Note	60.00
	Int. on note Wirkala	54.00
	Hardware	26.89
24	Int. on large note	19.25
	Merit Paint Store	20.00
Nov 9	Hardware	20.00
22	Ed Ek, furnace for parsonage	50.00
	" " " "	20.00
	Rev. Martin pd for lawn	5.75
Dec.1	Paid on Note	100.00

TOTAL PAYMENTS
July 14 1932 to
Dec. 1, 1933, $11,706.66

Warren, Ore.,

Feb. 6, 1934.

Trinity Lutheran Church,

Astoria, Ore,

Rev. J.A.Martin, pastor:

"Grace and peace be multiplied unto you thruogh the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord".

The following is a copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by the Portland District at its recent annual meeting: "Resolved that the secretary be instructed to send a letter of commendation to the Trinity Church of Astoria in view of the report of the pastor that Trinity is now self-supporting, and is asking no aid from the Conference mission treasury".

It gives me great pleasure to forward this resolution to Trinity on behalf of the Portland District. The District feels that you are to be especially commended on this act of faith in view of the fact that you are carrying on your building project at the same time. The District is confident at the same time that God will increase your blessings as you carry out your decision in His name.

"God is able to make all grace abound unto you, that ye having always all sufficiency in everything, may abound unto every good work."2 Cor. 9:8.

On behalf of the Portland District,

Arthur Pierce
Sec'y

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING OCTOBER 13, 1934

The meeting was opened by the Pastor with prayer and scripture. Hymns were sung by the congregation.

Mr. C. O. Moberg was nominated and elected secretary pro tempo.

Order of business began by the reading of the Pastors report. A motion was made and carried that the Pastor's report be accepted.

Motion made and carried that Dr. Kullberg be elected secretary of the congregation.

A typed list of dues paid was presented by Rev. Martin.

A typed report of building fund was presented by Rev. Martin.

Statement of the Financial Secretary was read by Mr. Rasmus. Auditors report read by Mr. Moberg. The report was accepted.

Report of church treasurer was read and accepted.

Report of the Ladies Aid was read by Mrs. F. S. Elfving and accepted.

Report of the Women's Missionary Society was read by Mrs. Lidbarg. Auditors report was read by Mrs. Moberg. The report was accepted.

Report of the Young Women's Missionary Society was read and accepted.

Report of the Junior Mission Band was read and accepted.

Report of the Trinity Lutheran Broth. was read and accepted.

Report of the Luther League was read and accepted.

Report of the Dorcas Society was read and accepted.

Election of Officers:

Deacons: J. F. Christians, Karl Soderberg, A. E. Engbretson were reelected.

Trustees: Capt. C. A. Larson, Capt. F. S. Elfving and Mr. Wicks were elected for three years. Mr. H. Slotte for two years and Ragnar Hoyer for one year.

S. S. Supt: Miss Johanna Rasmussen elected. Mrs. Martin assistant.

Organist: Miss Ethel Wicks was elected to have charge of the morning services and Miss Mabel Johnson of all evening services. It was also voted that each be paid an annual salary of $50.

Janitor: Motion was made and carried that the janitor be paid $10 per month. It was moved and carried that the trustees appoint the janitor.

Choir Leader: Mrs. Martin was elected leader with Mr. T. Olson assistant.

Financial Secretary: Mr. Rasmus was re-elected.

It was moved and seconded that we accept with thanks the offer of Miss Ruth Rasmus to act as congregational stenographer.

Mr. Nils Rasmussen was elected delegate to the district convention. Dr. R. W. Kullberg was elected alternate.

Mr. Herman Slotte was elected lay delegate to the Conference Convention. Mr. John Wicks was elected alternate.

A rising vote of thanks to Miss Young, Matt Nyland, Mr. Wicks and the Ladies Aid.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Capt. Larson, Capt. Elfving, Mr. Haggblom and Dr. Kullberg for payments on the note to the bank.

It was moved that a committee of three be appointed to solicit for the Capt. Haggblom note. Mr. Moberg, Ragnar Hoyer and Dr. Kullberg were appointed.

Building operations were also discussed.

R. W. KULLBERG, Sec.

PASTORAL REPORT 1934

To the Esteemed Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Astoria, Ore.

Grace and Peace.

"And the hand of the Lord was with them: And a great number that beleived turned unto the Lord". Acts 11:21

The above quoted words came to us as we began to consider the annual report for 1934. This was the designated result of service in the early Christian church of Antioch. It is the ideal objective of the Christian church to-day, and here in Trinity, we trust, it has been realized to some extent. That the hand of the Lord has been with us we do not doubt. He promised to be with his church even unto the end of time and that it is built upon the Rock, even Himself, the Lord Jesus Christ. Here we have His means of grace. His name has been proclaimed, His gospel has been preached as the saving power of salvation; all, therefore, who have turned unto the Lord have experienced that the hand of the Lord is with them.

Both Jews and Greeks became converts in the early church. God is not a respecter of persons. He desires that all shall come to the knowledeg of the truth and be saved. This is the immediate and grand end of all preaching. It may instruct the understanding, interest the fancy, gratify the taste, stir the emotions, but if it does not lead to personal decision for Christ, it is useless. Saved souls, besides being valuable to their possessors, constitute a church's and a community's truest and greatest wealth.

It has not been tabulated in the form of statistics how much that Christian church of Antioch did for its teeming population-- what light streamed forth from its teachings -- what gracious influences were exerted by its members -- but there is nothing hid that shall not be revealed. Consider what present day communities would be if no Christian churches were established in them. What would Astoria become if the Gospel light would be extinguished?

In these meditations we conclude that the hand of the Lord has been with us for it is Christ and His church that transforms and retaing the spirit of love and sacrifice. Those who have not turned unto the Lord have not beleived, and for them we pray that the Gospel of the Cross may exert its transforming power.

Let us then review the work of our church during 1934.

Services: All church activities center in the worship. The divine service with singing, ritual and preaching assists the worshipper to know and to approach God. An attempt was made during the year to make an actual count of those in attendance. This was not complete in every instance, but the record which was made shows that the average attendance Sunday mornings was 127 and the average evening attendance 81. This does not include festivals and special services. The worshippers have, apparently, been eager hearers of the Word. Disturbances during the hour of worship have been unknown. A great many visitors are common at each service. Special services have been held with good attendance. The Holy Week of the Lenten season was observed with a service each evening. The assembly grew for each time culminating in a large communion service on Good Friday in the evening. During August and September a special Saturday evening Bible study circle has been held. Those who have united with this circle have been greatly benefited. Others are welcome.

Sacraments: We beleive that our people understand the importance of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, and still there are those who are neglectful. As a rule parents bring their infants early to the baptismal font, but the same parents seldom or never commune at the Lord's table. Others are very active in various branches of the church work but do not attend divine services or any meetings where the means of grace are specially used. This indicates unbeleif and indifference as to the way of life in Christ. If these can be reached outside of the church myracles must be performed. Let these examine themselves in the light of God's Holy Word.

Sunday School: This department has functioned as former years. There has been an enrollment of 148 scholars and 16 teachers and officers. The greatest attendance any one Sunday was 117. This does not include the adult Bible class instructed by the pastor. The cradel roll numbers 33. Miss Johanna Rasmussen is superintendent and Mrs. Martin assistant. Dr. R.W. Kullberg has recently been engaged as Bible teacher in the class for newly confirmed. If our children were more punctual and regular in attendance we would have a very up to date Sunday School. Let us unite for this.

Vacation Bible School: This school was conducted in the same manner as the previous year. The attendance was not large. Alta Christians was acting superintendent with Helen Pedersen and Lorraine Martin assistants.

Confirmation: A class of 20 young folks were confirmed May 20th. Ten of these were children of members and 10 were from non-members.

Societies: The societies have met in regualar attendance as former years. All have had a devotional period, conducted either by the pastor or by some member. As usual the Ladies Aid takes the lead in membership as well as in funds gathered. The other organizations are: Dorcas, Luther League, Brotherhood, Women's Missionary Soc., Young Women's Miss. Soc., Junior Mission Band. A boy scout troup has also been organized this year. Mr. Runar Rasmus is Scout Master. J.F.Christians, P.H.Kraetch, Dr. R.W.Kullberg and J.A.Martin are members of the board. We are hoping that this troup of boys shall prove to be an asset to the church. All of the above mentioned societies will give an account of funds gathered during the year. These reports signify that all have been active, constituting willing workers for the financial support of our church.

There have been many special services and meetings held during the year worthy of mention. A reformation festival was held the first Sunday in November when the four Lutheran churches united in this celebration. The festival was held in our church. Rev. Carl Olson of the U.L.C.in Seattle was the invited speaker. An attendance of over 400 people was registered at that time. --- The Portland District Luther League held its annual convention in our church August 11 - 12th. A large delegation came. The district conducted mission meetings the previous day namely Aug.10th.--- Special children's services have been held twice during the year. The first Sunday in June and the last Sunday in September. These services have been attended by both parents and children, and we beleive have been helpful to all taking advantage of these opportunities.

The building operations have been practically at a standstill during the year. Only smaller additions and improvements have been made to church and parsonage. It is hoped that some action can be taken soon to continue the finishing of the church. The treasurer of the building fund reports disbursements amounting to $3,309.68 since ~~December~~ October 1st.1933. You are referred to this report as well as the other treasurers reports submitted to this meeting. In scrutinizing these reports we notice a $500 loan from Rev.C.S.Odell of Portland. We notice the payments to the bank by the signers of notes. There are donations worthy of mention. Among these the architects' donated services amounting to $500 Miss Agnes Young $250, Victor Gustafson $140. Others have done their best we know.

Again we express our heartfelt thanks to all who have come to the assistance of Trinity during the past year. We remember the societies, committie musicers and especially the board members. Our financial secretary, Mr Rasmus and the tresurer, Mr.Kraetch, are worthy of special mention. Captains Elfving, Haggblom, Larson and Dr.Kullberg have paid note instalments. Thanks! Your pastor appreciates every kindness to him and to his family. May we be able to do more for the Kingdom of Christ in our midst during the year that lies before us.

The following statistics can be reported: Eleven infants and one adult have been baptized. Twenty one confirmed. Seven couples married and 13 funerals conducted. At this time there are 290 communicants and 79 children on the church records. This number will undoubtedly be reduced at New Years when these statistics will be sent to the Conference statistitian. There are a number of members delinquent in attendance as well as in contributions. These can not expect the congregation to pay aproximately $2.00 per capita to Conference and Synod, unless they contribute and for that reason the board will be forced to drop them from the records.

Thus we have reviewed the activities of our church for the past twelve months. We may have missed some things of greater or less importance, but there is One who understands and whose records are complete. To Him we are responsible and shall finally make an account of our stewardship. May God help us to be faithful as we enter now upon another year of labor.

Astoria, Oregon
October 12th.1934

Respectfully submitted,

J. Martin pastor.

TRINITY LUTHERAN BUILDING FUND

October 1st,1933 - Oct.1st.1934

Receipts

Oct.2	J.F.Christians	5.00
	K.A.Bendstrup	10.00
	Chas Fors	5.00
	Wm.Carlson	2.00
	P.H.Kraetch	2.00
	Sept.Bir hday Soc	7.93
	Wm.Wisbeck	2.00
	P.L.Yost	5.00
	Agnes Young	5.00
	Ed.Westersund	1.00
	Victor Wes ersund	1.00
	C.A.Hendrickson	2.00
	Housewarming Tea	28.27
4	J.A.Martin	2.00
	Mrs.Mackie	.50
6	P.A.Larson	2.00
	C.A.Larson	5.00
	Ed.Larson	1.00
	John Larson	1.00
	Mrs.Lidberg	2.00
	Mrs.L.Larson	2.00
	C.Baker	2.00
	Mrs.Birch	5.00
	Ladies Aid,Elect.	25.00
	C.M.Soderberg	5.00
12	Victor Westersund	200.00
	Matt Nyland	250.00
	Ruth Gustafson	5.00
18	J.Reith	5.00
	Mabel Johnson	5.00
	J.E.Haggblom	10.00
	Ladies Aid,Hardw.	26.89
24	Astoria Lumb.Co.	10.00
25	Signe Enberg	5.00
	Mrs.Lidberg	5.00
	A.J.Hemmingson	5.00
24	Ladies Aid	20.00
	Trin Brotherhood	3.80
26	Oct.Birth,Soc.	9.61
Nov. 9	Ladies Aid Hardw.	20.00
	J.A.Martin	5.75
24	Nov.Birthday Soc.	9.31
Dec. 1	Ladies Aid	75.00
	J.E.Haggblom	10.00
4	J.F.Christians	5.00
5	Paul Kraetch	6.75
8	Victor Gustafson	140.00
	J.E.Wicks	500.00
13	Missionary Soc.	25.20
	Felix Soderberg	5.00
21	Karl Soderberg	5.00
30	C.Grimstad	10.00
	R.W.Kullberg	10.00
	J.A.Martin	10.00
	F.S.Elfving	25.00
	C.A.Larson	25.00
	J.E.Haggblom	25.00
	Victor Gustafson	10.00
	Paul Kraetch	10.00
	H.Slotte	10.00
	Esther Larson	10.00
	C.O.Moberg	5.00
Jan 1,	Mrs.A.Birch	5.00
	Dec.Birthday Soc	7.85
2	Ann Bergman	5.00
9	Ladies Aid	100.00
	Vic.Westersund	5.00
	Helena Westersund	5.00
	Nils Rasmussen	5.00
	Johanna Rasmussen	5.00
	A.E.Engbretson	30.00
18	Anna Lovgaard	5.00
25	Jan.Birthday Soc.	6.15
Feb.3	Ladies Aid	20.00
9	J.F.Christians	57.24
Dec.30	Rev.Odell,loan	500.00
31	Cap.Lofstedt	25.00
	Ladies Aid	[illegible]

Receipts, continued

Feb.21	Feb.Birthday Soc.	8.50
Marl 1	C.A.Larson	25.00
	J.E.Haggblom	25.00
10	F.S.Elfving	25.00
	R.W.Kullberg	25.00
15	J.A.Martin	13.15
28	Mar.Birthday Soc.	6.11
29	Ladies Aid	28.50
	" "	15.00
May 1	Apr.Birthday Soc	5.60
	J.E.Haggblom	25.00
2	C.A.Larson	25.00
	R.W.Kullberg	25.00
June 1	May Birthday Soc	6.70
July 1	June " "	10.38
10	Refund from State	15442
30	Dorcas	45.00
	Sunday School	15.00
	July Birthday Soc	9.66
Aug.17	Hemingson,(at Elfvings)	1.25
21	F.S.Elfving	25.00
29	Aug.Birthday Soc	5.00
Sept 18	C.A.Larson	25.00
	J.E.Haggblom	25.00
	R.W.Kullberg	25.00
23	F.S.Elfving	25.00
	Agnes Young	250.00
24	W.M.S.	12.00
25	Peter Brach	7.50

TOTAL RECEIPTS Oct.1st.1934 $3,284.89

Disbursements

Oct.2	Doors,labor,hdw	28.27
6	Larson Electric	25.00
12	Mr.Westersund)	200.00
	Mr.Nyland)	250.00
	For old bldg.	
18	Astoria Lbr.Co.	35.00
	Intr.Haggblom note	60.00
	Intr.Wirkala note	54.00
	Hardware	26.89
24	Intr.onlarge note	19.25
	Merit paint store	20.00
Nov.9	Hardware	20.00
22	Ed.Ek parsonage furn	50.00
	" " "	20.00
	Rev.Martin,for lawn	5.75
Dec 1st	Paid on note	100.00
3	Paper and typing	8.00
	Checks	.72
	Intr.onlarge note	16.91
	Shrubbery	6.75
8	Steel	140.00
	Archetects service	500.00
14	Fuller Co.	2.69
28	Intr.on note	14.00
Jan 3	Merit Paint Store	20.00
9	Brewer Billie	57.24
	Cap.Lofstedt note	300.00
18	Intr large note	5.83
31	Cap.Lofstedt note	200.00
Feb.1	Bank note instal.	100.00
	Paint	25.[illegible]
6	Col.Conf.dues	50.00
	Rev.J.A.Martin,salary	50.00
	Cap.Soderberg,loan	62.00
	Matt.Nyland,rent	50.00
Mar.15	Garage	13.15
Apr.1	Bank note instal.	100.00
	Intr.on loan	11.65
May 1	Bank loan instl.	100.00
	Parsonage	28.50
27	Ray Enberg	38.00
July 31	Wirkala note,intr	106.[illegible]
Aug.21	Intr.large note	[illegible]
Total Carried Forward		$2,9[illegible]

BUILDING FUND -- continued

Total carried forward	$2,942.64
Sept.15 Sherman's hauling	3.75
20 Note instal & Intr	103.79
23 To Wicks from Agnes Young	250.00
24 Peter Brach, plumb.	19.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$3,319.68

October 1st.1934
R.W.Kullberg, treasurer.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Envelopes	$1,665.15
Loose offerings	284.29
Ladies Aid	399.75
Luther League	75.00
Dorcas Society	50.00
Special Offering	58.88
Community Chorus	5.00
Chinook Cantata	2.00
From Building Fund	50.00
Paanonen Consert	2.55
Hospital Auxillary	8.00
Columbia Conference	15.00
Johnson Wedding	2.50
Dividend on Insurance	8.25
	$2,626.35

Emil Rasmus, secretary

We have audited the books of the financial sec.and find them to correspond with the books of the treasurer.

Signed C.O.Moberg
J.F.Christians

BENEVOLENT

Balance Oct.1st.'33	$37.65
Cash receipts, Envelopes	246.49
Birth day offerings	55.60
	$339.74
Expenditures -	
First Natl Bank on note	$145.00
" " " interest	8.84
Otto Leonardson	55.00
RevC.R.Swanson, Conf.dues	50.00
Express on envelopes	3.70
Bank charges	1.68
	$264.22
Balance on hand at Bank	75.52

Emil Rasmus, Ben.secr.

We the auditing committe find the books of the Benevolent secretary have been kept in an orderly and correct manner.

Signed C.O.Moberg
J.F.Christians

REPORT OF CHURCH TREASURER
Oct.1,1933 to Sept.30,1934

Receipts	
Cash on hand Oct.1,'33	$ 2.84
Cash received	2,628.08
	2,630.92
Disbursements	
Pastor's salary	$2211.89
Pacific Power and Light	51.53
City of Astoria Water Dept.	35.60
Augustana Book Concern	57.70
Pledge envelopes	16.38
Fire Insurance	31.85
Columbia Lutheran, adv.	13.00
Christmas offering	53.92
Janitor's salary	105.00
Miscelaneous	54.05
Taotal	$2630.92

P.H.Kraetch, treasurer.

We theauditing committe have found thechurch treasurers books correct and in order. C.O.Moberg
J.F.Christians

ANNUAL REPORT --- LADIES AID

Receipts	
Balance from 1933	$ 37.96
Collections at meetings	151.68
Kiwanis luncheons	633.55
Annual sale & dinners	448.81
Donations	20.56
Cooked food sales	76.01
Betty Brights	66.45
	$1,435.02
Disbursements	
Building Fund	379.39
Church treasury	400.00
Mdse.	566.43
	$1,345.82
Balance on hand	89.20

Mrs.F.S.Elfving, treas.

Audited and found correct
Oct.1,1934
Mrs.Fred Nordstrom
Mrs. Axel Hagnas

SUNDAY SCHOOL --

Receipts	
Balance	$ 26.40
Offerings	165.59
Memorial S.S.Fund	6.41
Christmas offering	16.39
Bethphage Mission	5.51
Birth day offering	.04
	$ 210.34
Expenditures	
Augustana Book Concern	113.48
Geo.F.Rosche & Co.	3.45
Stamps	.30
Palmberg's Gro.	1.80
Mrs.Martin Johnson, candy	8.40
Pac.Luth.College	20.00
Bethphage Mission	5.51
Lawson's	3.10
Church	15.00
Misc.	2.30
	$ 173.34
Balance	37.55

Gunnard Johanson, treasurer

This report has been audited and approved by Enid Rasmus
Petra Rasmussen

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts	
Balance brot forward	$ 2.77
Dues	17.50
Collections & donations	144.83
Boxes of Blessing	3.86
Dime books	2.17
	$171.13

Women's Missionary Cont.

Disbursements -

Home Mission	$30.00	
Anna Olson Salary	28.25	
Bldg Fund	25.20	
Dues	18.00	
Adm. Fund	5.80	
Christmas Cheer	5.25	
Bethphage Mission	10.00	
Dime Books	4.00	
Boxes of blessings	2.80	
Prayer Day Offering for African Mission	2.60	
Bldg specials	2.00	
Literature	1.00	
Repairs for Parsomge	12.00	
Girls Home at Vancouver, B C	15.00	
Federal tax	.20	162.10

Cash On Hand 10/1/34 $ 9.03

Maria F Lidberg, Tr.

We, the undersigned, have audited the Treasurer's Books of the Women's Missionary Society and found them correct.

Mrs. Ella Moberg
Mrs. Marie Wicks

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YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts -

Dues	$4.50	
Offerings	1.71	$6.21

Disbursements:

Dues to Mrs. Lidberg	4.50	
Literature	1.00	5.50
Balance		.71

Lorraine Martin, Treas.

Agnes Grimstad
Anna Mackey, Auditoris

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JUNIOR MISSION BAND

Receipts -

Dues	$4.50
Collection	9.79
	$14.29

Disbursements -

Dues	$4.50	
Administration	1.80	
Bldg Specials	2.00	
Bethphage	2.00	
My Missionary for the Day or Anna Olson	2.50	
Thank Offering	1.49	14.29

Maxine Miller, Treas.

We, the undersigned, have audited the treasurer's books of the Junior Mission Bank and found them correct.

Mrs. Ella Moberg
Mrs. Marie Wicks

TRINITY BROTHERHOOD

RECEIPTS -

February	$2.45
March	1.75
Books "March"	1.80
April	4.95
From Grimstad	2.20
May	2.85
June	2.20
August	1.90
September	2.80
	$22.90

DISBURSEMENTS

To Rev. Martin for books	$1.70	
To Dr. Kullberg for Scouts	5.00	6.70
Balance		$16.20

Felix Soderberg, Treas.

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LUTHER LEAGUE

RECEIPTS

Balance	$15.79
Collections & Dues	40.47
Sun. Night Services	31.25
Christmas Cards	7.50
Birthday Social	10.65
Convention Receipts	216.30
	$321.96

EXPENSES

Hazel Johnson Stud. Aid Fund	$2.61	
Pac Luth Coll.	15.00	
Dist Dues	45.60	
Convention	86.10	
Church Pledge	75.00	
Board Foreign Missions (Rev. Milander	23.00	
A G Anderson Misc Travel	15.00	
Misc. Exp.	34.87	297.18
Balance		$85.42

Sylvia Grimstad, Tr.

Audited by Helena Westersund
Gunnar Johanson

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DORCAS SOCIETY

RECEIPTS -

Bal on Hand	$4.88
Dues	17.10
Collections	30.85
Sale	54.90
	$107.73

DISBURSEMENTS -

To Church	$50.00	
Flowers	2.25	
Advtg	2.80	
Hardw. Kitchen in Parson.	1.05	
Bldg Fund	45.00	101.10
		6.63

Jennie Holmgren, Tr.

We, the auditing committee of Trinity, have audited the books for the Dorcas Society for the fiscal year of Oct., 1933 to Oct., 1934. We find that the income amounts to $107.71; expenditures, $101.10; bal. $6.61 We find the books to be correct.

Signed: C. O. Moberg
J. F. Christians

DUES PAID BY TRINITY MEMBERS
10/1/33 to 9/30/34

	Current	Benevolent
Anderson, Laura	$1.70	$ .25
Anderson, Matt	2.05	
Bergman, Anne	24.00	2.65
Birch, Mrs. A.	13.15	2.64
Backlund, Gearhart	13.25	
Birch, Oscar	13.40	2.65
Birch, Chas.	13.40	2.65
Backlund, Marva Jean	5.45	.50
Baker, Mrs. Esther	14.06	
Bendstrup, K.A.	18.40	
Christians, J.F.	31.85	5.30
Christians, Alta	7.95	
Christians, Theodore	7.95	
Bell, Mrs. Helen	3.59	
Carlson, Wm.	1.27	
Cederberg, Axel	5.40	
Cederberg, John	2.70	
Carlson, Agda	6.50	
Carlson, Mrs. V.	6.55	
Carlson, Mrs. Ida	3.25	.11
Edling, Edw.	4.36	.05
Elfving, Mrs. Maria	9.29	.02
Engbretson, Mrs. Anna	13.00	2.30
Elfving, F.S.	39.30	
Engberg, Signe	13.25	5.30
Engbretson, A.E.	57.00	8.25
Erickson, Mrs. Tillie	8.15	1.05
Erickson, Oscar	10.00	
Fors, Chas.	9.55	
Gustafson, Victor	26.25	.45
Gustafson, Anita	6.12	
Grimstad, Conrad	23.20	.85
Grimstad, Silvia	4.60	.10
Grimstad, Agnes	2.55	
Gallant, Ellen	11.00	2.20
Haggblom, J.E.	26.75	1.35
Haggblom, Hulda	5.55	
Hendrickson, C.A.	13.25	
Hendrickson, Ruth	5.20	
Hendrickson, Agnes	5.30	
Holmes, Louis	7.50	
Holmgren, Jennie	9.61	
Hoyer, A.L.	19.00	1.50
Hoyer, Ragnor	10.20	
Hilderbrand, Aug.	11.50	
Hill, Mrs. J.	9.65	
Hill, Vivian	9.65	
Hovgaard, Anna	12.25	3.00
Henningson, A.L.	24.65	1.50
Jackson, Victor	9.60	
Johnson, Mabel	13.40	2.65
Johnson, Mrs. Anna	14.10	
Johanson, Wm.	13.26	2.55
Johanson, Gunnar	6.25	.51
Johanson, C.E.	28.00	3.65
Johnson, C.G.	5.30	
Johnson, Edvin	1.75	
Johanson, Arthur	5.30	
Johnson, Margaret	1.70	
Johnson, Mrs. Hannah	12.00	4.80
Kullberg, Dr. R.W.	76.65	25.55
Kraetch, P.H.	22.60	
Larson, C.A.	20.25	1.77
Larson, Margaret	4.29	.05
Larson, Mrs. S. & Helen	2.35	.60
Lidberg, Mrs. Maria	13.75	5.10
Larson, Leonard	1.90	.15
Larson, Kenneth	1.38	.05
Lofgren, Hilmer	6.00	
Larson, Floyd	12.60	.03
Larson, Lorraine	.80	.20
Mattson, Mrs. Edla	7.40	1.35
Morrison, Robert	1.65	.75
Mackey, Mrs. Alma	15.10	3.02
Mackey, Henry	.70	
Mackey, Anna	4.00	
Moberg, C.O.	22.00	9.00
Martin, Rev. J.A.	32.55	10.50

	Current	Benev.
Martin, L.	$10.85	$ 5.35
Martin, Ronald	6.00	
Norberg, Mrs. J.	3.20	
Nyland, Matt	27.15	5.00
Noffsinger, Mrs. E.	8.75	
Nordstrom, Fred	12.00	1.30
Nordstrom, R.	.85	.15
Nylund, C.M.	9.40	
Nordstrom, Mrs. A.	2.00	
Olson, Mrs. Lucy	5.05	
Peterson, G.A.	2.25	
Peterson, Mrs. R. & Helen	13.50	
Paulson, Muriel	.25	
Peterson, J.M.	7.25	1.48
Rasmus, Emil	15.00	1.00
Rasmus, Ruth	10.00	
Rasmus, Enid	7.35	
Rasmussen, N.J.	26.65	5.35
Rasmussen, Johanna	40.65	13.60
Rasmussen, C.	5.70	
Rasmussen, Edna	5.45	
Sjosten, Mrs. S.	15.90	
Slottee, Herman	22.15	6.50
Slotte, John	11.95	
Slotte, Viola	.50	
Slotte, J, Jr.	3.20	
Soderberg, C.M.	21.45	2.70
Soderberg, L.	4.05	
Soderberg, A.	5.50	
Soderberg, F.	30.60	5.00
Soderberg, K.E.	13.45	2.83
Swanson, Fred	1.40	
Salvan, Geo.	8.50	
Satre, Sigvald	5.85	
Seims, Mrs.	13.75	1.09
Swift, Mrs. O.	.50	
West, Mrs. A.	6.10	1.45
Westersund, Ed.	5.97	
Wicks, J.E.	24.75	
Wicks, Ethel	11.75	
Wisbeck, Wm.	17.30	3.50
Wolf, Mrs. C.	5.40	.15
Yost, P.L.	17.50	3.85
Yost, Irene	5.20	
Young, Agnes	26.19	5.40
Elfving, J.H.	.40	
Jacobson, Axel	.65	
Larson, Esther	22.15	1.50
Eklund, Mrs. E.	.75	
Falk, Elmer	3.60	.18
Elfving, Henry	.25	
Backlund, A.G.	26.65	
Westersund, V.	24.50	5.10
Westersund, H.	21.20	5.10
Westersund, H.	14.25	
Johnson, Edna	3.95	
Johnson, Eleanor	3.90	
Larson, Ed.	28.00	1.75
Olson, Mrs. M.	6.05	
Wuopio, Mrs. E.	10.00	
Johnson, Mrs. L.	2.55	.35
Oman, Mrs. John	5.00	
Magglund, Mrs. I.	1.80	.30
Dahlgren, Ivan	1.50	.10
Holmstrom, Pete	10.00	

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING OF THE TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
OCTOBER 15th.1935

Hymn 265 ------ Psalm 122, 125
Meeting opened in the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Pastor's report to the Trinity Lutheran Congregation was read and adopted to be spread on the minutes.
Mimeographed copies of annual reports were distributed to all present.
The pastor urged that congregation members give more to benevolences.

Auditor's report of financial secretary's books was accepted.

Report of treasurer was read by Mr.Kraetch and was accepted.

Ladies Aid report was read and accepted.

The report of the Luther League was read by Anna Mackey and was acceted

The Trinity Brotherhood report was read by Rev.Martin and wss accepted.

The Building Fund report was read and accepted.

The Benevolence report was read and accepted.

Cap.Elfing announced that he donates the amount he has paid on note to bank. A rising vote of thanks was given Cap.Elfving.

The report of the Women's Missionary Society was read and accepted.
" " " " Young W. " " " " " "
" " " " Junior " " " " " "
" " " Dorcas Society " " " "
" " " " Sunday School " " " " "

Mr. A.Backlund, M.Nyland, C.Grimstad and F.Soderberg were nominated for deacons. Mr. Backlund, Mr.Grimstad and Mr. Soderberg were elected.

N.J.Rasmussen, Matt Nyland, J.E.Haggblom, Emil Rasmus, Chas Fors ad Ragnar Hoyer were nominated for Trustees. Mr.Haggblom, Mr. Rasmus and Mr. Hoyer were elected.

A motion was made that retiring deacons and trustees ~~are~~ can not to be re-elected was tabled until the beginning of the next annual meeting. succeed themselves

Mrs.Martin was elected Choir leader and Mr. Olson assistant.

The secretary was instructed to cast all the votes of the congregation for Miss Johanna Rasmussen for Sunday School Superintendent.

Miss Mabel Johnson and Mrs.Albert Engbretson were elected regular organists of the congregation.

Mrs. Engbretson, Mabel Johnson, Mrs.Martin, Mrs.Kullberg, Ethel Wicks and Theo.Olson were elected as a music committee.

Mr. Rasmus was reelected Financial secretary.

Mr. Backlund was elected delegate to the district convention
Mr. Victor Gustafson alternate " " " " "
Mr. Ragnar Hoyer was elected delegate to the Conference convention
and Mr. Felix Soderberg alternate " " " " "

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

R.W.Kullberg, Secretary

PASTORAL REPORT 1935

TO THE ESTEEMED TRINITY LUTHERAN CONGREGATION

Grace and Peace:

"And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward".
Ex.14,15

"Go Forward"; This was the order Moses was told by God to give the children of Israel as they fled from the land of bondage. It was needful that they should obey. Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, with his horses, horsemen and chariots was pusuing with the intention of bringing the Israelites back into bondage.

These things have been written for our learning. "Go forward"is the command. Jeovah of Host has so spoken. "Go forward" in spite of the many barriers apparently in our way. The enemy of our souls is hotly pursuing to bring us into spiritual bondage. Let us remember he us a h harder task master than any Pharaho ever was. We must "go forward" with Him who is greater than a Mosese, with Him who has come to delivers us from the power of the enemy. It is Christ Jesus,our King and Lord, leading from the land of bondage to the promised heavenly Canaan.

If the Israelites had stood still,would they have been safe? We may leave a flower on the stem, but it does not remain long where it was it will soon perish. We may leave a dead body undisturbed but it beco es more corrupt day by day. So our soulds. Leave them without food and care and they die in tresspasses and sins. Not to go forward is to disobey God, and the wages of sin is death.

The reports from the various branches of our church work speak of more or less progress and indicate that Trinity took forward strides during the past year. It will be the object of this report to point out some of these activities. --

DIVINE SERVICES: The main function of the church is to preach the Word of God, and administer the sacraments. In fact it is that which marks it as a church of Jesus Christ. The preching of Him crucified never grows old or out of date. The attention for and the reception of the preached Word by the auditors has always been inspiring to the pastor. If all have kept the Word in their hearts it shall surely bare fruit. God grant that it shall be so.

Strangers and visitors have been quiet numerous. Some are in attendas regularly who have not bewome members of the church. They have been approached by the pastor from time to time, but have numerous excuses and hindrances,which for the most part are imaginary. We believe the members of the church could do more than they do in assisting the pastor to bring in new members. It avails little,however, if such members are not faithful and must be dropped sooner or later.

The first Sunday evening of each month a song service has been given. The church choir,octette and quattetts,as well as individuals,have contributed in making thsese services appealing and helpful. The Luther League has been in charge of the third Sunday evening of each month. The programs have usually been good, but the attendance of the leaguers,themselves, has been very poor.

Trinity has many faithful members who attend services regularly. This is a real source of joy. But many are entirely too lax and careless in this respct. This is asad fact. When folks absent themselves from church Sunday after Sunday there is something radically wrong with their christianity. Such people l ose interest in the church and are in danger of loosing their soulds.

SACRAMENTS: We are happy that our church members,in general,esteem and make use of the Holy Sacraments. As a rule the children are baptized shortly after birth. # The Lord's Table is usually well attended. Each communicant come and receive the body and blood of Christ seemingly in a repentant and humble spirit. In spite of the above statement,we must report that there are members who seldom or never are seen at table of the Lord. Such we admonish to examine themselves in the light of God's Holy Word.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Our Sunday School had a good year. The enrollment was 148 not counting the adult Bible class. The new "Word of Life Series" system has been used to the sid and joy of of both teacher and scholer. There are a number of children who are very irregular in attendance as well as in ### preparation. To remedy this we must have a better cooperation by both parents and children.

CONFIRMATION: A class of nine children and one adult were confirmed on May 12th. It is adifficult task to keep these young folks in the membership of the church,especially where the parents have not affiliated with us.

SOCIETIES: The societies have labored on in the usual way with vigor and enthusiasm. The programs rendered have been similar to those of the

	Current	Benev.
Laura Anderson	$ 1.60	$ .15
Matt Anderson	5.50	.10
Gladys Aspmo	1.10	
Mrs C E Aspmo	1.25	
Cecile Aspmo	1.25	
Ann Bergman	27.00	10.55
Mrs Anna Birch	13.25	2.85
Oscar Birch	13.00	2.85
Charles Birch	13.25	2.75
Emil Bjork		4.00
Axel Backlund	31.10	1.50
Gearhart Backlund	10.35	.15
Mrs Esther Baker	14.00	1.15
R A Benstrup	19.10	
Mrs Wm Carlson	2.63	
J F Christians	36.30	5.60
Alta Christians	7.81	
Geddy Christians	7.91	.10
Mrs V Carlson	7.40	
Agda Carlson	5.50	
Marvajean Backlund	10.85	3.45
Eda Jane Carlson	.85	.10
Mrs Ida Carlson	6.50	.15
Ivan Dahlgren	3.17	.08
John Henry Elfving	.90	
EJS Elfving	30.70	3.15
Mrs Esther Eklund	4.50	
Edw Edling	3.45	
Maria Elfving	3.25	.35
A E Engbretson	56.20	11.20
Signe Enberg	13.35	5.40
Mrs A Engbretson	13.00	2.40
Mrs Tillie Erickson	7.40	
Oscar Erickson	2.00	
Roy Engbretson	10.00	
Axel Finney	4.50	2.50
Edw Finney	3.00	2.00
Chas Fors	10.00	.15
Vic Gustafson	27.65	2.25
Anita Gustafson	3.84	
Dorothy Gustafson	5.50	
E F Heden	4.75	.15
Conrad Grimstad	24.75	.35
Sylvia Grimstad	2.80	
Agnes Grimstad	2.85	
Frances Grimstad	1.00	
Mrs Ellen Gallant	14.70	2.50
J E Hagblom	29.75	5.45
Hulda Hagblom	8.00	.70
Mrs Ida Hagglund	1.00	
C A Hendrickson	11.75	
Ruth Hendrickson	5.60	.15
Agnes Hendrickson	2.80	
Ellen Hendrickson	.70	
Louis Holmes	7.30	1.25
Jennie Holmgren	7.10	1.10
Pete Holmstrom	2.85	.10
A L Hoyer	16.30	.15
Eleanor Hoyer	7.25	1.30
Aug Hildebrand	12.90	
Anna Hovgaard	13.05	3.00
[illegible] Jackson	11.15	.75
[illegible]	13.00	2.75
[illegible]	13.00	.25
[illegible]	12.50	2.50
[illegible]	10.60	2.55
[illegible]	5.15	.15
[illegible]	27.00	3.05
[illegible]	[illegible]	.15
[illegible]	[illegible]	2.70
[illegible]	[illegible]	3.75
[illegible]	[illegible]	4.05
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[illegible]	7.[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
C A [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	17.[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1.[illegible]	[illegible]

	Current	
Mrs Maria Lidberg	$18.35	$5.61
Leonard Larson	4.85	.36
Ken. & Lair. Larson	2.80	.32
Hilmer Lofgren	3.00	
Floyd Larson	12.50	.15
Lorraine Larson	.50	
Esther Larson	19.50	1.65
Margaret Larson	4.24	
Dr O W Lindberg	8.20	.59
Joan Larson		.10
Jeanne Larson	.05	.05
Florence Lontain		.05
P A Larson	3.00	2.00
Mrs Eula Mattson	10.35	2.80
Mrs Alma Mackey	16.27	3.64
Anna Mackey	2.20	
C A Moberg	26.00	26.00
David Moberg	4.05	1.80
Mrs T Meyers & Lou	1.00	1.00
Rev J A Martin	36.40	15.85
Ronald Martin	2.50	.70
Lorraine Martin	10.35	5.20
Mrs Johanna Norberg	2.95	
Mrs Anna Nordstrom	2.00	.15
Ellen Noffsinger	1.30	
Lloyd Noffsinger	2.35	
Nate Nylund	26.00	6.45
Carl Nylund	1.35	.25
Fred Nordstrom	5.00	1.75
Mrs Lucy Olson	3.95	
Mrs M Olson	2.50	.35
Echo Olson	5.55	.45
Mrs Ruth Pederson & Helen	13.00	1.15
Muriel Paulson	1.50	.45
J M Peterson	11.00	1.87
Emil Rasmus	15.00	4.00
Ruth Rasmus	13.00	2.00
Enid Rasmus	10.40	.15
N J Rasmussen	26.00	5.45
Johanna Rasmussen	39.25	13.30
Petra Rasmussen	5.20	.15
Christina Rasmussen	5.20	.15
Mrs Sophia Sjosten	12.25	2.80
Herman Slotte	24.00	9.40
John Slotte, Sr	11.15	.15
Viola Slotte	2.50	2.00
Lester Soderberg	.10	
John Slotte, Jr	2.60	.17
C M Soderberg	19.55	2.60
Felix Soderberg	22.00	1.54
Richard Soderberg	5.95	1.05
Karl E Soderberg	13.00	2.86
Fred Swanson	1.80	.15
Geo Salvon	6.50	
Hazel Salvon	2.75	
Sigvald Satre	3.00	2.00
Mrs Mathilda Seims	15.35	.93
Mrs Augusta Schaudt	6.60	2.80
Doris Schaudt	.95	
Mrs A West	7.00	1.00
Victor Westersund	26.00	4.75
Helen Westersund	26.00	5.37
Harriet Westersund	12.75	
Ed Westersund	11.40	
J E Wicks	17.35	4.65
Ethel Wicks	9.60	1.50
Esther Wicks	2.50	
Robt Williamson	1.00	[illegible]
Wm Wisbeck, Sr	16.1[illegible]	[illegible]
Wm Wisbeck, Jr	1.1[illegible]	[illegible]
Mrs Robt. Wolf	5.[illegible]	.55
Mrs Jerschodren	5.00	[illegible]
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TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Oct. 1, 1934-Sept. 30, 1935

Report of Financial Secretary

[illegible]	$1032.27
Loose Offering	211.46
Ladies' Aid	400.00
Luther League	60.00
Dorcas Society	50.00
Sunday School	12.50
Christmas Offering	49.50
Visit to Hughes Mortuary	11.00
Hospital Auxiliary	3.00
Linrud Concert	2.50
Offering Mission Meeting	4.70
	[illegible]

Benevolent Fund

Receipts - Cash		$75.52
[illegible]	$290.76	
Birthday Offering	46.43	
Dorcas Society	25.00	
Sunday School	12.50	
Good Friday Off.	9.62	393.28
		$468.80
Expenditures -		
Colubia Conference	404.60	
Envelopes	13.94	
Express Envelopes	3.92	
Bank Fee	1.21	423.67
Balance		$ 45.13

Emil Rasmus, Fin. Sec.

Auditing Committee:
C. O. Moberg
J. F. Christians

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Trinity Brotherhood

Receipts --		
Bal. on hand	$16.20	
October	2.15	
November	3.90	
December	3.90	
Lutfisk Dinner	39.48	
January	2.55	
February	3.10	
March	4.60	
Salmon Dinner	45.71	
April	2.25	
May	1.35	
June	2.60	
Strawberry Social	20.00	
July	[illegible]	
August Weinie Rst	6.70	
Brotherhood Bk	.50	
Fine-Offerings	[illegible]	
Karl Sonerberg	.70	
		$155.00
Disbursements --		
Dr Kullberg	$15.00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]

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Report of Treasurer

Receipts - Cash rec'd		$2425.93
Disbursements --		
Pastor's Salary	$2081.83	
P P & L Co	65.99	
City of Astoria water	36.60	
Fuel	12.00	
Aug Book Concern	21.67	
Fire Insurance	24.84	
Christmas Offering	49.50	
Janitor's Salary	120.00	
Miscellaneous	13.50	
		[illegible]

P. H. Kraetch, Treas

Auditing Committee - C O Moberg
J F Christians

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Ladies' Aid

Receipts - -		
Balance 1934	$89.20	
Collections at meetings	165.48	
Betty Brights	26.90	
Donations	21.70	
Kiwanis	428.46	
Sales, dinners	492.38	
Fountain Money	10.57	
Miscellaneous	50.38	
		$1285.07
Disbursements		
Church Treas.	$382.00	
Mr. Nyland	100.00	
Building Fund	360.00	
P Brach for Fountain	32.39	
Brookfield for Chairs	28.69	
Elfving (stoves)	45.00	
Miscellaneous	$163.21	1111.79
Balance		$173.28

Mrs F S Elfving, Treas

Auditing Committee --
Mrs O W Lindberg
Mrs P H Kraetch

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Luther League

Receipts --		
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Collections	43.41	
Sunday Pito Serv	15.74	
[illegible]	2.00	
Progr. Dinner	7.35	
Raffle Party	3.06	
Linrud Concert	11.20	
Luth Companion	2.[illegible]	
[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]:		
Church Pledge	$60.00	
Bldg Fund	7.50	
Stud Aid Fund	5.00	
Fellowship Off.	2.00	
Dist. Dues	22.20	
[illegible]		[illegible]
Balance		$1.68

Anna Mackey, Treasurer

Auditing Committee --
Helena Westersund
[illegible]

Building Fund

Receipts --

Balance		$14.84
Oct 12-Trin Brotherhood		15.00
12-N Rasmussen		5.00
12-Johanna "		5.00
12-R W Kullberg		10.00
12-Capt Haggblom		10.00
23-Mrs Birch		5.00
26-Mrs Lidberg		5.00
27-Birthday Social		6.77
Nov 14-N Rasmussen		5.00
14-Johanna "		5.00
14-Ladies Aid		50.00
30-Birthday Social		8.56
30-Mrs Becker		5.00
Dec 1 -Capt Larson		25.00
1-Capt Haggblom		25.00
1-Capt Elfving		25.00
1-R W Kullberg		25.00
17-Brotherhood		45.00
Jan 1-Axel Finney		.75
2-J A Martin		5.00
5-Rev C S Odell (Loan)		[illegible]
Feb 1-Ed Larson (")		400.00
Mar 5-Old Bldg Fund		1.40
July 13-F Natl Bk (Loan)		1739.44
Sept 30-Recorded-Chart		928.70
		$3870.46

Disbursements --

Oct 1 -Int EHKL note	$ 1.79
Nov 1- " Haggblom "	60.00
Dec 1-Laws-on a/c	25.00
1-Fisher Bros	25.00
3-EHKL Instm & Int	107.42
10-Ast Budget	5.00
Jan 2-Odell-Int.	30.00
5-City Lbr & Supply	8.45
10-Haggblom,note,int	507.00
31-Puusti & Co	25.00
31-EHKL note, Int	105.64
31-J E Wicks	10.00
Feb 1-Brookfield Co	100.00
9-Ast Lbr Co	26.35
Mar 27-Harry Bowen	42.50
28-EHKL note, Int	104.36
Apr 22-Mr Holton	20.50
May 10-Puusti & Co	27.24
14-J Anderson, Pl.	36.29
Jne 6-Shingles	184.95
6-Fisher Bros	105.09
22-Ed Ek	25.00
Jy 13-Mr Cato	75.00
18-Mr Laws-Balance	45.00
20-Fisher Bros "	216.70
31-Ed Ek "	50.00
Aug 1-Brookfield Co	150.00
2-T G Holton	73.00
6-Harry Bowen-on a/c	100.00
6-EHKL note, Int	5.25
12-Instm Gov Loan	55.56
21-Puusti & Co	25.00
Sept 9-State Industr.	3.84
11-Paint, Johanson	6.12
12-Instm Gov Loan	55.56
12-Ast Lbr Co	18.68
14-Harry Bowen	175.00
19-A Backlund	25.00
20-EHKL note,int,prin	305.25
23-Matt Nyland	50.00
26-Ingleton, oil	36.00
[illegible]-Hauling oil	2.85
[illegible]-A Backlund, labor	9.00
[illegible]-Rev Martin, "	24.00
[illegible]-Billie Lbr Co	3.83
[illegible]-Ast Lbr Co	15.50
	$3113.74
	.72

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Women's Missionary Society

Receipts -- Bal.

Dues	$ 9.03	
Coll. & Donations	15.00	
Boxes of Blessings	95.74	
	7.16	$126.93

Disb. -- Bank Fee $ .50
Psge, Jr, Rice bags .43
Boxes of Blessings 7.16
Prayer Day Offering 2.42
Dues ($13 sust. $2) 15.00
Home Missions 27.60
Home & For. Missions 10.02
Bldg Special 2.00
Literature Fund 1.00
Anna Olsen's Salary 24.75
Jewish workers, N Y 1.00
Dime Books 3.43
Deaconess work, Omaha 3.43
Girls Home, Vancouver 7.00
Life Membership 10.00
India 2.75 119.49
Balance $ 8.44

Mrs P H Kraetch, Treas
Aud. by [illegible], [illegible]

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Young Women's Missionary

Receipts -- Offerings $11.98
Dues 6.50
Supper 17.40 $35.88

Disb. -- Treas WMS
Girls Homes $ 4.00
Adm Fund 2.30
Bible local 1.00
Treasure Chests 1.68
Literature 1.00
Jewish Worker 1.00
Dues 6.50
Misc local 3.40
Trinity bldg fund, Loc 15.00 35.88

Lorraine Martin, Treas
Aud by Mrs P H Kraetch, Mrs Martin

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Junior Missionary

Receipts -- Collections 26.74
Bethpnage Mission 2.26
Thank Offering 3.41 32.41

Expenses -- Dues $17.00
Thank Offering 3.41
Jewish Mission, N Y 1.00
Girls Home Bldg Spec 2.00
Bethphage Mission 5.00
Conf Home Missions 2.00
Orphanage at Omaha 2.00 $32.41

Anna Mackey Treas
Aud by Mrs Kraetch, Mrs J A Martin

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Dorcas Society

Receipts -- Bal $ 6.63
Coll., Dues, Sale 105.08
Silver Tea 10.85 120.56

Disb. -- To Church 75.00
Paint Kitchen, Psge 5.40
Miscellaneous 7.60 88.00
Balance $ 32.56

Jennie Holmgren, Treas
Aud by C O Moberg, J F Christians

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Sunday School

Receipts -- Collections $213.47

Expenditures, Hope Mfg $8.30
Palmberg Grocery 6.25
Johnson Grocery 7.00
Larson Electric .40
Aug Book Concern 108.06
Church Treas. 25.00
Check Tax & chgs 2.16
Stamps .15 157.32
Balance $ 55.65

Gunnar Johanson, Treasurer
Audited by Edith Rasmus
Enid Rasmus

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF TRINITY LUTH. CHURCH

OCTOBER 14, 1936

The meeting was opened by Rev. J. A. Martin after the singing of hymn 261. The scripture read was the 1st verse of the 12th chapter of Romans.

The Pastoral Report for the year 1935-36 was read by Rev. Martin. The report was adopted as read. Correction was made on the Ladies Aid Bldg. Fund donation.

The Financial Secretary report was read by Emil Rasmus and accepted.

The report of the Treas. Mr. P. H. Kraetch was read and accepted.

The financial report of the Ladies Aid was read by Mrs. F. S. Elfving and accepted.

The report of the Sunday School was read by Gunnar Johanson and accepted.

The report of the Luther League was read and accepted.

The report of the Daughters of Trinity Treas. was read and accepted.

The Missionary Sunday School report, Anna Mackey Treas., was read and accepted.

The financial report of the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. Kraetch Treas., was read and accepted.

The report of the Trinity Lutheran Brotherhood, Felix Soderberg Treas., was read and accepted.

Youn Women's Missionary Society report, Margaret McMindes Treas., was read and accepted.

The report of the building fund, R. Hoyer Treas., was read and accepted.

A motion was made and carried that retiring deacons and trustees cannot succeed themselves.

Mr. Nils Rasmussen, Mr. Theo. Olson and Mr. Chas. Soderberg were elected deacons for three years.

Mr. Chas Fors, Mr. Ed Westersund and Mr. Otto Jacobson were elected trustees for three years.

Mrs. R. W. Kullberg was unanimously elected choir director. Mr. Theo. Olson was elected assistant.

Miss Johanna Rasmussen was enanimously elected Sunday School Supt. and Mrs. J. A. Martin assistant.

It was moved and passed that one hundred dollars be paid the organists.

Miss Mabel Johnson and Mrs. J. A. Martin were elected organists.

The music committe of last year was re-elected.

Mr. Emil Rasmus was unanimously re-elected financial secretary.

Mr. Carl Moberg was elected delegate to the district convention and Mr. R. Hoyer alternate.

Mr. E. Rasmus was elected delegate to the Conference Convention and Mr. J. E. Wicks alternate.

The election of janitor and salary was left to the Board of Administration.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the Ladies Aid for their faithful work in behalf of the church. A vote of commendation was also given them for their plans toward completing the upstairs of the church in the near future.

A discussion of the budget closed the meeting.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn.

Respectfully,

R. W. KULLBERG, Sec.

Approved by the Congregation after Sunday Services, Oct. 18, 1936

PASTORAL REPORT FOR 1936

To The Esteemed Trinity Lutheran Congregation, Astoria, Oregon.

Dear Members: The Scripture lesson is from Romans 12:1, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service".

We have closed another year of service in the church of Christ. The scripture just quoted speaks of "the mercies of God". To-night we are reminded of these mercies. Do we know what they imply? They are contained in the Gospel which we have proclaimed and the sacraments administered. Some of these mercies are: God's wonderful love, compassion, patience; the giving of His Son, Jesus Christ; our Savior's redeeming grace; forgiveness of sin, salvation. Where in this wide worl can we go to find such mercies except in the church of Christ. And here they are offered to us for our acceptance in order that there may be peace in our hearts.

To us comes therefore the beseeching exhortation "to present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is our spiritual service." The mercies of God should constrain the believer to seek and do God's will. Such ~~demonstration~~ surrender will be a living demonstration of gratitude and loyalty to Christ and His church, which is your spiritual service. This demonstration begins in the heart through conviction of sin and assurance of the efficasy of the blood of Christ unto redemption and adoption in the household of God. In this household of God are found willing hands working for the upbuilding of the church inwardly and outwardly. Inwardly unto the winning of souls - outwardly unto the completion of church property.

What then has been done in Trinity in this respect during the twelve months just past? I shall endeavor to present in a short report some of these activities. Our annual reports are apt to be very much alike and stereotyped as they cover the same scope of activity each year. But even if this be true, there is always some new and definate phase of the work as it is carried on within the year.

THE USE OF THE MEANS OF GRACE:

1. The Word of God. God works through the Means of Grace in his church. By preaching and teaching of God's Holy Word and by administering the Sacraments, the Church is built and continued. The spiritual strength and vitality of a congregation is generally measured and judged by the way its members attend the services on the Lord's day and crowd the communion table when the Lord's Supper is celebrated. A congregation which is faithful and constant in worship, making proper and reverent use of the Means of Grace, is growing in Christ, in Christian life, and usually in members.

The usual schedule for services have been followed: Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 o'clock and evening Worship at 7:30 for winter months and 8:00 o'clock for the summer. The First Sun. eve. of each month a festive Song service has been held with a program of singing and music with a short sermon by the pastor. Christmas Matin was held at 6:00 A.M. There were special services during Lent witha Union Service on Good Friday with the other Lutheran congregations of the city.

A large number of Trinity's membership attend quite faithfully but many are careless and are seldom seen in the house of God. This is indeed a sad and deplorable fact. When people absent themselves Sunday After Sunday without valid reason there is something lacking in their spirituality. Such are in danger of loosing their souls. I fear that the use of the Word of God is neglected in many of our homes. Blessings temporal and spiritual would result from a reestablished family altar.

2. SACRAMENTS: The Lord's Supper was celebrated four times during the year. Many of our members are regular guests at the Lord's Table. Some members who are active otherwise within the church, have to my knowledge, never communed. I am certain this fact grieves the Holy Spirit. May these members confess and repent of their sins returning to the promises of Christ given in his Holy Sacrament. The children are usuallybaptized in early infancy. The Holy rite is often administered in church in connection with the morning service. This is right and proper. Let no one neglect bringing the children into communion with Christ and his church.

3. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: The Sunday School, Confirmation Class and Bible classes have served as agencies for christian education. The Sunday School has functioned as former years. Six weeks vacation was taken during July, August and September. Miss Johanna Rasmussen has served as Supt. Mrs R.W.Kullberg was elected assistant Supt at the last annual meeting - due to her absence from the city a number of moths, Mrs Martin acted in her place. The teaching corp has been faithful and efficient. Thirteen teachers and officers with 116 children and and estimated 20 adults have constituted

the enrollment. A large percentage of the children come from homes not members of Trinity. It is surprising that some parents who hold membership with us neglect to send their children either to Sunday School or Confirmation. Some day these children may speak desparagingly concerning the neglect of their parents. Shall we heed the Scriptural admonition: "Train up a child the way he should go and even when he is old he will not depart f om it". Porv.22:6

4. ORGANIZATIONS: I shall not endeavor to give any deatailed repot of the seven organizations within the church. This would take too much space and too much of your time. Let it be said,however, that all hav been active in their partcular fileld of labor. The strength of the Ladies Aid is readily acknowledged both numerically and financially. It has a membership of 87 and the financial report indicates its activity. We are very thankful to the women of the congregation for their willingness to work in behalf of their church. This, however, does not exclude all other for all have exerted some influence and have made some contribution.

The programs have always been Christian and edifying in Spirit. Seldom have any disturbing features crept into theses programs. This is as it should be. We are thankful that our members sence the propriety of this fact and hope that it shall always thus continue.

5. MUSICAL ORGANIZATIONS: The church choir has appeared mainly at the church feativals, Christmas,Easter etc. However, we have been favored with singing by a ladies chorus and the Trinity Male Octette, from time to time. Mrs.Martin has been director of the Ladies chorus and Theo Olson of the Octette.

6.FINANCES: The financial reports submitted to this meeting tell their own story. On the whole this has been a good year. There has been a decrease, however,in the budget for current expences amounting to $177.53 less than last year. This has been the smallest contribution to current expences of the church since the undersigned became pastor here. I believe employment has been better than any previous five years and the question is therefore raised as to the cause for this deficiency. The Benevolence Budget increased over last year to the amount of $45.80. Yet we are $134.60 in arrears to the Conference and Synod. The interest on the note to the Synodical Mission Board has not been paid for four years. Some arrangement should be made to care for this obligation.

7. BUILDING OPERATIONS: From last years pastoral report we note the following: That the memorial window donated by the Christians' and Hildebrand families was in the making. This is now completed with the exception of the stops which have not been put in. We note further that the Ladies aid volunteered to assume the cost of six other windows. These have also been placed in position and completed except for the stops as before mentioned. The Ladies Aid assumed payment of a number of outstanding bills, so that their sum total of contributions to the building fund amounts to $1060.96

The Building Fund Treasurer has met the payments on the Govmt.loan amounting to $55.56 per month. Let each donor remember the pledge made for this cause.Credit is given on the chart on the back wall of this room. Whether any building operations will be resumed or not within the near future depends on what might be decided at this meeting to-night.

8. STATISTICS: Baptisms, four; Confirmation, sixteen children and four adults; other communicants received, four and six children; total 34. Married,nine couples; Funerals, 13

We express our thanks to all who have used their talents for the benefit of our dear church: officers, board members, S.S.Teachers, music directors, singers, leaders of our organizations, organists, janitors and assistants, and all the women who have worked weekly in the church kitchen. I thank you all for forbearance and co-operation in the work for Trinity.

Astoria, Ore.
Oct.14,1936

Very respectfully,
J.A. Martin
J.A.Martin, pastor

Women's Missionary Society

Receipts

Cash on hand Oct,1,1935	$8.44
Dues	14.50
Sustaining Fund	1.00
Collections & Donations	95.65
Dime Books	.40
Boxes of Blessings	5.00
	$124.99

Disbursements

Church Treasury	8.44
Columbia Hospital	18.35
Boxes of Blessings	5.00
China	3.55
Dues	14.50
Sustaining Fund	1.00
Africa	2.50
Administration Fund	3.00
Trinity Building Fund	14.00
Gift to District Treasurer	1.25
Mrs.A.Wakeman (Exp.Acct)	2.00
Missionary for a Day	2.50
Home Missions	19.00
Mrs.Edwins (Exp.Acct.)	3.00
Dime Books	.40
Anna Olson's Salary	25.00
Cash on hand Oct.1,1936	1.50
	$124.99

Rose Kraetch,Treas.

Audited by C.H.Grimstad
A.G.Backlund

Trinity Brotherhood

Receipts

Balance on hand Oct.1,'35	$ 3.03
Monthly meetings	25.60
Lutfisk Dinner	87.25
Donation Mrs.Engbretson	15.00
Donation Mr.Engbretson	1.00
Pie Social	15.05
	$146.93

Disbursements

Axel Backlund	$10.00
Lutfisk Dinner	17.45
Mabel Johnson	50.00
Mrs. Engbretson	40.00
Taxes	11.19
Herman Slotte	5.00
Flowers, Dr.Kullberg	2.00
Astorian Budget	4.00
Balance on hand Oct.1,'36	7.29
	$146.93

Felix Soderberg,Treas.

Audited by A.G.Backlund
C.H.Grimstad

Young Woman's Missionary Soc.

Receipts

Dues	$ 8.00
Treasure Chests	5.08
Offerings	11.35
Candle Light Supper	24.96
	$49.39

Disbursements

Dues	$ 8.00
Treasure Chests	5.08
Misc.Expence	4.03
Building Special	2.00
Literature	1.00
Administration Fund	1.60
Life Membership for Christine Rasmussen	10.00
Church Treasury	17.68
	$49.39

Margaret Mc.Mindes,Treas.

Audited by Mrs.P.H.Kraetch
Mrs.J.A.Martin

Building Fund - to Oct.5,1936

Receipts

Balance from Dr.Kullberg	$ 4.58
Total on chart	624.00
Donat.Board Members	17.25
Salmon Dinner	27.00
Envelopes not on chart	7.25
Ladies Aid	482.36
	$1154.64

Disbursements

Brewer Billie Lumb.Co	[illegible]
First Natl Bank	[illegible]
Checking acct.charges	[illegible]
Karl Soderberg note	5[illegible]
State Industrial	[illegible]
Check Acct.Rasmus report	.50
Bowen Window Frames	150.00
Larson Electric	31.15
Astoria Lumber	25.00
Laws & Co.	3.20
Pacific Paint.Co.	3.60
Uhrabrand Sander	2[illegible].00
W P Fuller Co.	24.[illegible]
Balance	[illegible]
	$11[illegible]

Ragnar Hover, Treas.

Audited by A.G.Backlund
C.H.Grimstad.

[illegible]

[illegible] Emil Rasmus, Fin. Sec., 10/1/35-9/30/36

DUES PAID BY MEMBERS

	Current	Benevolences
Laura Anderson	$ 1.50	$ .15
Matt Anderson	2.00	
Mrs C E Aspmo	3.00	.15
Cecile Aspmo	5.65	.15
Gladys Aspmo	.65	
Anne Bergman	23.00	11.15
Mrs A Birch	13.00	2.80
Oscar Birch	12.00	2.75
Chas Birch	12.00	2.75
Axel Backlund	31.30	1.35
Gearhart Backlund	14.75	.15
Howard Backlund	5.00	
Mrs Esther Baker	13.00	
K A Bendstrup	7.25	
Mrs Wm Carlson	1.25	
C F Christians	31.20	5.20
Alta Christians	3.00	.25
Teddy Christians	.15	
Mrs V Carlson	7.00	
Agda Carlson	4.00	
Eda Jane Carlson	.50	.05
Mrs Ida Carlson	3.55	.10
Ivan Dahlgren	2.50	.60
John H Elfving	2.05	.02
Edward Edling	3.40	
Mrs W Eklund	4.25	.15
A E Engbretson	51.50	8.15
Signe Enberg	10.00	5.35
F S Elfving	30.70	4.65
Mrs A Engbretson	13.00	2.75
Mrs Tillie Erickson	7.80	1.00
Oscar Erickson	2.50	
Chas Fors	4.75	.15
Vic Gustafson	15.25	1.30
Anita Gustafson	3.30	.20
Dorothy Gustafson	4.30	.15
C H Grimstad	23.40	2.65
Agnes Grimstad	2.20	.04
Frances Grimstad	1.75	.15
Mrs Ellen Gallant	5.75	1.35
J E Haugblom	17.15	7.35
Mrs Hulda Click	[illegible]	.80
J A Hendrickson	[illegible]	
Agnes Hendrickson	[illegible]	
Ellen Hendrickson	[illegible]	
Louis Holmes	[illegible]	1.00
Pete Holmstrom	[illegible]	
A L Hoyer	[illegible]	.91
Ragnor Hoyer	[illegible]	2.90
Aug Hildebrand	12.[illegible]	
Anna Hovgaard	12.[illegible]	2.50
Victor Jackson	13.[illegible]	.84
Mabel Johnson	16.[illegible]	5.30
Mrs Anna Johnson	14.[illegible]	.50
Wm Johanson	11.[illegible]	2.20
Gunnar Johanson	[illegible]	1.95
Arthur Johanson	[illegible]	
Carl E Johanson	[illegible]	5.75
Otto Jacobson	[illegible]	.20
Elmore Jacobson	[illegible]	
Mrs Hanna Johnson	[illegible]	[illegible]
Edna Johnson	[illegible]	.80
Eleanor Johnson	[illegible]	.95
Mrs Lina Johnson	[illegible]	.65
Dr R W Kullberg	[illegible]	19.65
P H Kraetch	[illegible]	.80
Lloyd Kraetch	[illegible]	.10
C A Larson	[illegible]	4.20
Ed Larson	[illegible]	1.00
Helen Larson	[illegible]	
Mrs Maria Lidberg	[illegible]	5.45
Leonard Larson	[illegible]	.40
Kenneth & Lawrence Larson	4.65	[illegible]
Hilmer Lofgren	1.00	
Floyd L[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Esther Larson	[illegible]	[illegible]

DUES PAID BY MEMBERS, Cont.

	Current	Benevolences
Margaret Larson	$ .25	
Dr O W Lindberg	9.85	
Mrs Edla Mattson	13.45	$3.05
Mrs Alma Mackey	18.20	5.37
Anna Mackey	10.10	
C O Moberg	26.00	26.00
Cecil Moberg	2.85	2.65
David Moberg	.75	.50
Rev J A Martin	36.40	10.80
Ronald Martin	10.30	3.76
Lorraine Martin	7.00	3.00
Douglas Martin	3.05	.80
Mrs Johanna Norberg	1.95	.15
Matt Nyland	26.00	5.35
Fred Nordstrom	3.70	1.30
Mrs Lucy Olson	6.35	.10
Mrs M Olson	5.50	.05
Theo Olson	9.40	.85
Helen Olson	1.10	.25
Mrs Ruth Pederson & Helen	12.75	2.48
Muriel Paulson	.10	
J M Peterson	5.00	.30
Emil Rasmus	15.00	5.00
Ruth Rasmus	13.00	2.50
Enid Rasmus	10.00	2.60
Edith Rasmus	2.60	2.60
N J Rasmussen	26.00	5.40
Johanna Rasmussen	40.75	13.27
Mrs Sophia Sjosten	13.00	2.75
Herman Slotte	24.50	5.29
John Slotte	11.45	.06
Viola Slotte	2.80	
John Slotte, Jr	2.10	
C M Soderberg	19.95	2.90
Felix Soderberg	23.05	3.26
Richard Soderberg	6.20	1.32
Karl E Soderberg	10.50	1.95
Fred Swanson	1.75	
Mrs Hazel Chambers	3.50	
Sigvald Satre	5.00	.65
Mathilda Seims	13.90	2.25
Mrs Augusta Schaudt	11.45	2.05
Doris Schaudt	1.90	.45
R Tennant	23.00	7.90
Mrs A West	5.50	
Victor Westersund	26.00	4.75
Mrs Clark Hedeen	14.00	2.60
Harriet Westersund	13.00	
Ed Westersund	9.40	
J E Wicks	2.10	25.40
Ethel Wicks	13.05	
Robert Williamson	1.30	.15
Wm Wisbeck	14.65	4.10
Wm Wisbeck, Jr	2.60	2.60
Katherina Wolf	5.20	.60
P L Yost	10.00	2.70
Agnes Young	26.00	5.35
Jalmar Oren	1.40	
Dorothy Grimberg	6.89	.26
E R [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
A J Hemingson	2.00	.25
Lester Soderberg	3.55	
Leona Eklund	.20	
Florence Johnson	.81	.06
Maxine Miller	.10	
Gloria Pearson	.90	
Dorothy Swanson	.05	
Dorothy Wisbeck	1.50	.50
Melville Grimberg	.30	.20
Mrs Elsa Grimberg	.40	
Walter Soderberg	1.75	
Einar R Pearson	1.75	

TRINITY CHURCH

Statements of Emil Rasmus, Fin. Sec., 10/1/35 - 9/30/36.

CURRENT:

Envelopes	$1117.86
Loose Offering	183.91
Ladies' Aid	400.00
Dorcas Society	65.00
Sunday School	96.26
Offering for Col. Hosp.	9.00
Y P M Society	17.68
Women's Missionary	8.44
Snow-Nordquist Wedding	5.00
Luther League	60.00
Hospital Auxiliary	5.00
Dividend - Astoria Nat'l	1.75
	$2249.40

BENEVOLENT FUND:

Receipts:		
Balance from 1935	$ 45.13	
Envelopes	319.31	
Ladies' Aid	60.00	
Birthday Social	53.93	
Dorcas Society	3.11	
Thanksgiving Off'g	8.43	$489.91
Expenditures:		
Rev Swanson Conf Dues	$450.40	
Envelopes (Globe Co)	13.49	
Express on env.	3.28	
Statem'ts to members	1.06	468.23
Bal 10/1/36		$ 21.68

Auditors: C H Grimstad and A G Backlund

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Statement of Treas, P H Kraetch

Receipts:		$2249.40
Disbursements:		
Light	$ 83.30	
Water	35.55	
Fire Insurance	42.60	
Pastor's Salary	1881.67	
Janitor's Salary (includg 9/35)	130.00	
Taxes	19.80	
Miscellaneous	56.48	2249.40
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Auditors: C H Grimstad
A G Backlund

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Ladies Aid

Balance	$ 173.28	
Aid Collections	174.23	
Betty Brights	25.70	
Luncheons	1716.95	
Fountain	10.67	
Annual Sale	270.67	
Misc	18.15	
Extra dinners	213.00	
Donations	19.84	
		$2622.49
Disbursements:		
Misc	$1388.38	
Building Fund	575.00	
Church Treas	400.00	
Ben	60.00	2423.38
		$ 199.11

Treasurer: Mrs F S Elfvin
Auditors: Mrs R E Moyer
Mrs V Jackson

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Sunday School

Receipts:		
Sunday collections	$ 200.14	
Christmas Off'g	20.54	
From Confirm. Class for books	7.80	
		$ 228.48
Disbursements:		
Aug Book Conc	$ 91.30	
Bldg Fund (Mrs Johnson)	6.46	
Donations Church	97.30	
Palmberg's Gro.	3.90	
Decorations	3.00	
Christmas Lts	1.78	
Children's Home	2.00	
Misc.	1.17	206.91
		$ 21.57

Treasurer: [illegible] Johnson
Auditors: Enid Rasmus
Edith Rasmus

Luther League

Receipts:		
Balance	$31.63	
L L Collections	46.52	
Sunday Nite Serv.	[illegible]	
Socials	28.33	
Cooked Food Sales	13.90	$145.97
Disbursements:		
Church Pledge	$60.00	
Bldg Fund	9.00	
L L Park Improvem.	10.00	
District Dues	17.50	
Columbia Lutheran	1.60	
Fred Ris	4.14	
Fellowship Off'g	2.00	
Misc.	18.32	122.56
Bal.		$ 23.41

Treasurer: Anna Mackey
Auditors: Harriet Westersund
Dorothy Gustafson

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Daughters of Trinity
(Org. 3/2/36)

Receipts:		
Offerings	$ 9.22	
Salmon Dinner	52.90	
Jennie Markstrom	2.00	
Tongue Pt Outing	3.75	$ 67.87
Disbursements:		
Stationery, etc	$ .75	
Church Treas.	27.00	
Salmondinner exp.	26.99	
Outing exp.	3.20	57.94
Bal.		$ 9.93

Treasurer: Cora A Ingleton
Auditors: Ethel Hicks
Isabel Johnson

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Missionary Sunday School

Receipts:		
Offering	$18.50	
Birthday Collect.	8.57	
Thank Offering	10.41	$ 37.48
Disbursements:		
Dues for 72 members	$18.00	
Life membership P. Rasmussen	10.00	
Girls' Home	2.00	
Administr. Fund	3.00	
Trinity Bldg Fund	4.48	37.48
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Treasurer: Anna Mackey

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF TRINITY LUTH. CHURCH

OCTOBER 12, 1937

The meeting was opened by Rev. J. A. Martin after the [illegible]. The scripture read was the 14th chapter of John 1[illegible] to 1[illegible].

The Pastoral Report for the year 1936-37 was read by Rev. Martin and accepted.

The financial reports were distributed and read by their respective treasures. The reports were accepted.

A rising vote of thanks was given the Ladies Aid for all the wonderful work they have done during the year.

Mr. Theo. Olson, F. Soderberg and R. Hoyer were appointed tellers.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was re-elected Secretary of the Congregation.

The following petitions to the Conference were read and passed:

1. The Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, hereby petitions the Columbia Conference to add a by-law to its conatitution, "limiting the term of office of Board members to one term, with an interval of at least one year before election again to the board".

2. Also to amend its Constitution, to allow the annual congregational meeting to be held on or before January 20 instead of October, as at present.

Dr. Kullberg, Mr. William Seeborg and Mr. A. J. Hemingson were nominated and unanimously elected deacons.

Perry Mitchell, H. G. Schreiter and Paul H. Kraetch were elected trustees.

Mrs. J. A. Martin was unanimously elected choir director.

Miss Ethel Wicks and Mabel Johnson were elected organists.

The music committee of last year, Ethel Wicks, Vendela Kullberg, Theo. Olson, Elsie Engbretson, Mabel Johnson and Mrs. J. A. Martin were re-elected.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was elected Supt. of Sunday School and Mrs. Kullberg assistant.

A motion was made but not passed that $200 be budgeted to pay on loan to Synod. A motion was made that Dr. Kullberg be appointed to present the matter of the loan to Mr. Leonardson.

Mr. E. Rasmus was unanimously elected financial secretary.

Mr. William Seeborg was elected delegate to the district convention, Mr. A. Backlund alternate.

R. W. Kullberg was elected delegate to the Conference Convention, Mr Moberg alternate.

Mr. Nyland was unanimously elected janitor with salary of $17.00, $12 voted by the congregation and $5 by the Ladies Aid.

$1800 and Christmas offering was voted as the minister's salary with three weeks vacation and use of parsonage.

A motion was made that the building committee be re-elected with Perry Mitchell added as a member. It was also moved that this committee together with the Ladies Aid determine what is to be done with the money available for the building.

A motion was made to adjourn.

R. W. KULLBERG, Sec.

Pastoral Report 1937

To The Esteemed Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon.

Grace and Peace.

Jesus said,"If a man love me, he will keep my commandments: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him". John 14:23

God dwells in our midst. In Christ,God has become Immanuel,God with us. He dwells among us through His Holy Spirit. He is in our midst through His holy Word and the Sacraments. But,"God with us mut become:God in me. The High# and Holy one who inhabited eternity desires to dwell in your heart and in mine. This is the indwelling that saves a man - whwn the God of history become the God of the heart; when the infinite love of God to the world in His Son ceases to be story only, and becomes an experience.

Now it must be apparent to every thoughtful person that a congregation rises no higher than the religeous life of its members. If we forget God shut our Bibles,forsake our church, profane our Sabbaths,then certainly, our religeous lives cannot be exerting any influence for Good. If all church members would forsake the means of grace there t e chur h would soon cease to exist and all righteous influences would be nil.

The objective of the Christian church is primarily to make known God's love to men, that they may turn from sin, to Him, to love his word that the indwelling Holy Spirit may be their life, and that by its members the church may grow in inner and outer strength.

These, above mentioned truths, should not be unfamiliar w to the members of this congregation, but we restate them here, because some have seemingl for gotten them or have become indifferent in the practice of them. In making these statements,we base our observations on the attandance upon the Divine Services of the church as well as the numbers kneeling at the Lord's Table. There have been seventy two communicants who have not attended the Lord's Supper at all during the year and many of these have not at any time done so during the incumbancy of the present pastor. This is certainly an index of the spiritual life of such members. Again we admonish these to care for their souls according to the revealed will of God th t they perish not. The Lord's Supper was celebrated four times with an average of ninty guests.
There have been eleven Baptisms. Nine of these were infants, one an eleven year old girl and one adult. Six of these were Baptized in the church in connection with the service. This is as it should be. The church of Christ has been intrusted with the means of grace, the Word and the Sacraments, they should th refore be administered in the presence of the congregation wherever this is possible.

The Sunday Schoorhas been conducted along the same lines as former years. Miss Johanna Rasmussen has been the Supt. and Mrs. J.A.Martin, Vice Supt. Miss Rasmussen left our community the first part of Sept. to teach school at Mabel Oregon. Mrs.Martin has been in charge since. The School has had an enrollment of 120 children, which was also the greatest attendance any one Sunday. The chidren had vacation from July 18th. to Sept 12th. A faithful corp of teachers have instructed the chidren using the gaaded system prepared by the Synod.

A Class of twenty chidren and three adults were confirmed on June 6th. The chidren were instructed as former years using the Bible,Catechism and Bible History. They met each Sat.for a period of nine months. The adults received private instruction. A nimber of these confirmed children do not have their parents as members of the church, and soon become delinquent and accordingly are dropped from the church records.

During the week of May 30 - June 3rd. Dr.Samuel Miller of the Lutheran Bible Institute, Minneapolis, Minn., conducted a "Bible Teaching Mission" here in our church. He came upon the invitation of the Columbia Conference appearing also in a number of congregations within the Conference. The Lutheran Churches of the city were invited to participitate, making thi a joint endeavour by the Norw.Luth.,Free Luth.,Finnish Luth and the Trinity Luth. churches of this city. Dr.Miller led is into a most wonderful and profitable study of the Gospel of John. Free will offerings for the teacher and the Institute amounted to $58. Joint meetings were also conducted by the Luther churches during Holy Week i Lent. These services were quite well atteneded.

We shall not attempt to give any detailed report of the eight organizations of the church. These are:Ladies Aid, Luther League, Daughter's of Trinity, Brotherhood, W.M.S.,Y.W.M.S., Jr.M.B. and the choir. Each have their own chairman and officers. The pastor has however attended and conducted devotionals as a rule, unless he has been out of the city or other matters have interfered. The financial reports submitted to this meeting. are indicative of the ctivities of each organization.

A special mention and recognition should be given the women of the church who haveso faithfullyworked for the support of the church. Again this y year they have served the noon day luncheon each week for the Kiwanis Club of the city. The management and work entailed has been taxing at t times and the time and donations offered have been a sacrifice in many

instances. Yet we have heard little or no complaint. Mrs. C.O.Moberg as chairman of the Ladies Aid, and Mrs F.S.Elfing, treasurer, have had the burden of management u on their shouldres. Three committies have been w workers every third week and yet a number of women have assisted each week To These workers we offer our most sincere thanks.

Building operations have practically been at a standstill during the year. The building fund treasurer, howerevr, has received as well as disburesed sums of money on loans which were made previous years. This report will indicate sources of incomes. It is with a great deal of pleasure that at this time the Ladies Aid offers the sum of about $1000.00 to the church for building purposes, to be used for the church auditorium.

The pastor at this time volunteers to reduce his salary $200.00 per year. The salary for the coming year, or until otherwise changed, will amount to $1800.00, christmas offering and free use of the parsonage. He humbly begs that an annual vacation of two or more weeks will be granted him in addition.

In the midst of joy and success which has come to our homes, sorrow and sickness and death, also has been the lot of a number of our families. Since our last annual meeting four communicant members have passed on to their eternal reward. These are: Axel Cederberg,Karl Soderberg, Edward Larson and Mrs Ida Hagglund. We express our sympathy to the bereaved and breath the prayer that God would grant us a happy ending and by his grace through faith in Christ Jesus, give us a place with the saints in Glory.

The pastor has cared for the following ministerial acts: Eleven Baptisms eleven marriages and twenty nine funerals. The membership repotred to the Conf.Statistian the first of January this year was 268 Communicants and fift three childrem. This number apparently will be reduced as the Board of Administration is occupied at the present time contacting delinquent members, some of which ## desire to be dismissed, and some giving no responce at all, which will automatically drop them from our records.

In closing this report we want to acknowlege the splendid cooperation we have had in the work. The pastor desires, hereby,to thank every one who in kindness and sympathy assisted him in the work. He realizes that it is a human impossibility to please all, but those who are willing to admit their faults and confess sin, for them there is forgiveness and grace f from God - for pastor and members alike.

May God grant us a pleasant meeting to-night and a profitable year before us in a temporal and spiritual blessing.

Sincerely Submitted,

J.A.Martin

J.A.Martin,pastor.

Astoria, Oregon.
Oct.12th.1937.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TRINITY LUTHERAN CONGREGATION, NOVEMBER 16th. 1937.

The meeting was opened by singing Hymn no.276. The pastor read Scripture from Mathew 25:14 -30 and offered prayer.

Mr. Otto Leonardson, Synodical Secretary of Stewardship spoke on "Stewardship and the importance of Church attendance".

At the close of this address the pastor called the congregation together for the purpose of acting upon the pastors resignation and to call a new pastor.

Mr. John Hagglom moved that the resignation of Rev.J.A.Martin be accepted and that he be permitted to terminate his services on Jan.16th.1938. Mr. E.Rasmus seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The recommendation for new pastor was by the Church Council was read by Mr.C.H.Grimstad, the secretary. The Council recommended the calling of Rev.G.Anton Danielson of Iron Mountain, Mich. as pastor.

Mr. Leonardson was then asked to give what information he knew about Rev.Danielson.

Mr. C.G.Soberg moved that we call Rev.G.Anton Danielson. The motion was seconded by Mr. Perry Mitchell. The motion passed by the unanimous vote of the seventy nine (79) members present.

Mr. Grimstad then read the recommendation by the Council that the salary offered be Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00), free use of the parsonage and three weeks vacation. Mr. W.Seeborg moved that the recommendation be accepted. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. John Hagglom announced that the indebtedness of the congregation to the signers of the Bank of Commerce note of Jan.21, 1933 was cancelled. This was accepted by a rising vote of thanks by the congregation.

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.

The pastor closed the meeting with prayer and the benediction.

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Secretary.

J.A. Martin
Chairman

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TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, ASTORIA, OREGON.

Peace in Christ Jesus:

It appears, that the Lord, to whom I belong and whose servant I am, desires at this time to place me upon another field of labor in His vineyard. After a six year service here it has pleased Him to extend a call to me from the Warren- St.Helens parish of the Portland District of the Columbia Conference. Believing this to be His will I, hereby, tender my resignation as pastor of this congregation with the humble request that it be granted, and that I be permitted to terminate my services here on January the 16th.1938.

Very sincerely,

Your pastor,

J.A.Martin.

Astoria, Ore.
Nov.6th.1937.

Trinity Lutheran Church
April 6, 1938.

Congregational meeting held April 6, 1938 for the purpose of calling a new pastor.

The meeting was opened by the Rev. J.A.Martin with Scripture reading and prayer. A short Lenten sermonette followed by the Rev. J.A.Martin.

The secretary of the Church Council, Mr. Conrad Grimstad, read a motion unanimously adopted by the Church Council, that the Rev. J.Walton Kempe be extended a call to serve as pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Astoria, Oregon. Mr. J.F.Christians seconded the motion for the congregation. A short discussion followed, especially by pastor Martin, Mr. William Seeborg and Dr. R.W.Kullberg.
Insert it at a yearly salary of $2000) two thousand dollars and an allowance of $150) One hundred fifty for moving expenses, free use of parsonage and two Sundays vacation.
The motion was passed by the unanimous vote of the fifty-seven members present.

A short talk on Stewardship was given by Dr. R.W.Kullberg.

The Rev. J.A.Martin thanked the congregation for the gift received from the Brotherhood.

Mr. C.O.Moberg spoke upon the progress of the new Church building. A discussion followed.

The meeting was closed with song and the benediction.

SIGNED: R.W.Kullberg, Secretary.

J.A.Martin, Chairman.

Approved by the joint board on April 3, 1939.

Astoria, ~~Ore~~ Ore,
Apr 6, 1938

Rev. J. Walton Kempe
1201 Hull Ave.
Des Moines, Iowa,

GRACE AND PEACE.

We the undersigned, members of the Church Council of the Trinity Ev.Lutheran Church in Astoria, Ore. hereby respectfully extend to you a call to become the pastor of the above congregation with a yearly salary of ($2000) two thousand dollars and an allowance of ($150) One hundred fifty for moving expenses, free use of personage and two Sundays vacation.

The congregational meeting for the purpose of calling a pastor was duly announced as prescribed by the constitution, and we enclose herewith a correct extract of the record of the proceedings at the above meeting. We would respectfully request that the call be answered as soon as possible. We sincerely hope that you may find it to be in accordance with God's will to give to this call your affirmative answer.

On behalf of the congregation,

Respectfully,

Members
of the Church
Council

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Des Moines, Iowa,

June 1, 1938.

To The Church Council,

Trinity Lutheran Church,

Astoria, Oregon.

Grace be unto you in Christ Jesus, Our Saviour!

After prayerful and thoughtful deliberation over the call I now hold from Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, and after having given serious thought to the fact of my deep love for the congregation and people, I now serve, have I reached the conclusion that it is God's will, as I see it, that I accept your gracious call to become your pastor.

Therefore do I herewith accept said call from your Trinity Lutheran Church. My services in your congregation will begin on the 25th day of August and I will preach my initial sermon at the morning service on Sunday, August 28.

May God bless this action that it may be for the welfare of His Kingdom through Christ Jesus, who is the Head of the Church.

Yours in His Name,

J. Walton Kempe

J.Walton Kempe.

s of Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

October 12, 1936

ating was opened by Rev. J. W. Kempe in the reading of scripture

4 and prayer.

Dr. . Kullberg was unanimously reelected Secretary of the Congregation.

following Pastoral Report was read by Rev. J. W. Kempe (and accepted):

Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation,
, Oregon.

ace be multiplied unto you in Christ Jesus, Amen.

nd he that cometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give
wer over the nations." Revelation 2:26.

e words were written to the messenger of the church at Thyatira; and they
written in perilous times.

sus is here sending through John, the prophet of Patmos, these solemn re-
rs, indicating, first, that the church of Christ has many enemies;
condly, the necessity of holding fast the Word of Truth unto the end; and,
dly, unto those, who hold out unto the end He will give power to conquer
nations. And does it not appear that these words were written for the
in which we live? As we are looking out over the world and endeavoring
grasp the spiritual conditions we find the powers of darkness merging on
th mighty forces against the Lord and His Anointed.

present age is witnessing the most heinous and insidious attack, not only
Christianity, but on religion in general, and on faith in God. We think
of dark Russia, its merciless endeavor to expell religion, and of the congress
the godless which recently convened there. Never in the annals of mankind
here been such a cruel attack against God and the most holy heritage of
race. Let us be reminded that at the meeting of said congress in Moscow,
sia, 1000 delegates from 40 countries were in attendance. Someone has
d that "the French Revolution was a tame affair in comparison with the
nwerving determination of the godless to eradicate every trace of religion."

to imagine the picture! One hundred twenty thousand churches in the land
alf of them are now destroyed. In Moscow alone, eight hundred churches
monasteries have been closed, thousands of clergymen have been sent to
centration camps, and atheistic radio stations with millions of rubles
active with the propaganda of the godless. Six million dollars have been
sed by free-will contributions for a printing press, which is to be the
t in the world, from which is to flow atheistic literature to a least
tries, our own included, in as many languages, for the purpose of
ng sentiment against God and Christianity. One local society in one
an province has designated Jesus Christ as Public Enemy No. 1. A
to Judas Iscariot has been erected by the godless on the bank of
in that country.

are indeed dark colors. But we do not despair. For we have God's sure
s that His Church will overcome every enemy. "He that keepeth my works
he end, to him will I give power over the nations." "And this is the
y that overcometh the world, even our faith." It is with confidence in
mises despite our spiritual enemies that we begin another year of
Trinity Church. It is with confidence in such precious promises
begun our work as pastor in Trinity Church. It is with confidence
e will endeavor to bring the Word of God to immortal souls in
ate and conference. There are souls to be won for the church
of the Cross and we are confident that God will direct our
victories in the souls and lives of men will be realized.

f the year
s without pastoral reflection or evaluations. and we
ish to offer many suggestions to

my immediate predecessor, the Rev. John A.
ed on September 24, 1931: assumed charge of
1; was installed December 13, 1931, removed
. During those six years and two months

[illegible] may him tribute by thanking God for Pastor Martin's labors in [illegible]ch. The faithful laborer will not go without his reward!

The Means of Grace

[illegible] the last year preaching services have been conducted with regularity [illegible]pite of the extended vacancy. From January 1[illegible] on the pulpit has been [illegible]pled by a variety of preachers. [illegible] have preached; Mr. Paul Kaulstrom has served; the societies [illegible]e given Sunday programs. As a result hungry souls have been fed the word [illegible] the strengthening of faith and in the fight against evil temptations. The [illegible]ch is appreciative to all who have thus served in the Ministry of the Spirit.

[illegible]ere is no record of the number of Communion services held nor of the number [illegible] communicants who have partaken of the Lord's Supper. We assume that these [illegible]ve been held at regular intervals. May our members bear in mind their promise to God to commune regularly at the Lord's Table.

Only two baptisms are recorded during the year--and these two since our arrival in Trinity. We will want to gather in the little ones by this sacrament; we want to bring to our Lord adults whose baptism has not as yet been experienced. This is the Lord's "washing of Regeneration unto the New Birth." May it not be despised.

Christian Education

Dr. R. A. Kullberg, with the assistance of a faithful group of workers, has kept our Church-School functioning in spite of the vacancy. During the summer we understand that the schoold was closed for a few Sundays. By now the new faculty has been appointed and enrollment and attendance is on the up-grade. The Word of Life series of material has been replenished up to date and we are very hopeful for a good school year. A Church School Board has been appointed and this board will have full charge of our Christian Education work from now on. As soon as we move into the new sanctuary we will want to reorganize the school rooms and equipment for more efficient work in the field of Christian education. Next summer we hope to conduct a three week's period of Vacation Bible School.

A Confirmation school has been started with 14 pupils enrolled. In the records are several names of children of confirmation age who should be in this year's new class. May their Christian training in this method not be neglected or postponed. We hope to instruct adults for confirmation as fast as candidates can be enrolled for such courses.

Our Church Societies

[illegible]e financial reports presented at this session indicate the measure of success [illegible]e groups have enjoyed. The congregation wishes to express its appreciation [illegible]ur societies for work accomplished and inspiration given in our common [illegible]. It should be the policy of the congregation to allow each society to [illegible] its regular meeting date or dates without any conflict so that our whole [illegible]gram might move on without interruption. I believe the congregation wants [illegible]s and if we all cooperate this will be realized. May we ask that every [illegible] in the church help us in the enlistment of all our young people in the [illegible]ther League as well as in the Senior and Junior Adult Departments of the [illegible]ch-School. In our youth lies the future of Trinity. And Trinity has a [illegible] group of young people that needs encouragement. The pastor wants to be [illegible] friendly older brother to this group.

Music

[illegible] fine musical talent in Trinity. Our choir work needs to be augmented [illegible]e of our singers. May there be a hearty response so that when we [illegible]ur new quarters our choir will be second to none in our city. May [illegible]s' Chorus and Men's Octette members also enroll in the church choir! [illegible]e can count on our singers for full cooperation.

[illegible]out a Junior chorus? and a Church orchestra? Will someone res- [illegible]e hold of these possibilities and bring about realization?

[illegible] and Committees

[illegible]us to mention. But to one and all do we say thank you [illegible]e and labor given Trinity. These faithful stewards will [illegible]word. Our new church, the renovated parsonage, the [illegible]r church services and meetings, the special programs, [illegible]ic, the ingathering of funds are all evidence [illegible]ts have been faithful and punctual.

[illegible]mber, Captain John E. Berglblom has ceased [illegible] and has gone to his reward. We miss in [illegible] interest in our church is

s, each for a term of three years, are to be elected at this .

Recommendations

clusion, we ask the congregation to give consideration to the following ndations:

. That the congregation sanction the annual appointment by the deacons of a Church-School board whose duty it will be to administer the Christian education work in Trinity.

. That a Vacation Bible School be conducted during the summer vacation period.

3. That the deacons take under advisement the matter of Mid-week and Bible Study hour.

4. That we observe Loyalty month in November featuring different groups each Sunday in the month.

5. That a pastor's cabinet be authorized consisting of Joint Board, Church-School Superintendent, Organist, Financial Secretary, Custodian and one representative of each church society. This cabinet to meet quarterly for consultation and counsel and to bring in nomination of candidates for all elective offices at our annual meetings.

6. That the Joint Board be authorized to elect Custodian, organist, and choir director and determine compensation where compensation is to be given.

7. That the Joint Board be authorized to appoint a Committee to plan a Tenth Anniversary Celebration of the congregation in 1939.

8. That we invite the Columbia Conference and the Woman's Missionary Society of the conference to hold their respective annual conventions in 1940.

9. That we extend the term of office of the Joint Board and Church School Superintendent three months so that expiration takes place hereafter in January instead of the preceding October.

10. That the minutes of this annual session and those of the special meeting held last spring be approved by the Board of Administration.

.. we now pray God for much grace as we labor on together in Trinity for the pletion of tasks begun, for vision for new work to be done.

..nally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might."

Yours in Jesus Name,

J. W. Kempe
Pastor

a, Oregon

The annual financial statements were distributed to all, and were as follows:

Annual Financial Statement Oct. 1, 1937--Oct. 1, 1938

..IAL SECRETARY:		CHURCH SCHOOL:	
:		Receipts:	
	$ 1621.33	Regular Offerings	$ 180.00
..fts	287.92	Christmas Offering	20.98
	430.00	Step Fund	73.99
	1.00	Building Fund	.40
	$ 2344.25	Previous Year Balance	37.84
		Total	$ 304.01
	$ 2344.25	Disbursements:	
		Offerings for Missions	$ 18.59
		School Supplies	9.78
		Building Fund (Steps)	125.00
		Miscellaneous	18.15
		Total	$ 258.15
		October 1, 1938 Balance	45.87
		Grand Total	$ 304.01

[illegible]:

[illegible]	$[illegible]44.25
[illegible]ois Auxiliary	[illegible]
[illegible]aneous	3.00
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] Year Balance	10.16
Total	[illegible].77

[Disb]ursements:

[illegible]	$ 74.10
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] Oil	[illegible].75
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]on[illegible] Furnace	[illegible]
[Insu]rance	[illegible]
[illegible]es	[illegible]0.04
[illegible]ing Allowance	1[illegible]0.00
[Sal]ary Advance (moving)	[illegible]
[illegible]. Martin Salary	[illegible]
Supply Pastors' Salaries	[illegible]
[illegible]l Karlstrom Salary	[illegible]
[R]ev. Kempe Salary	[illegible]
Custodian Salary	[illegible]
Miscellaneous Expenditures	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]
[Oc]tober 1, 1938 Balance	[illegible]
[Gra]nd Total	[illegible]

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ORGAN AND PEW FUND:

Receipts:

On Pledges	$ [illegible]12.92
From Outside Sources	1[illegible]1.00
Bank Loan	1800.00
Total	$2544.92

Disbursements:

Guenter Organ Co.	$1500.00
American Seating Co.	7[illegible]2.12
U. S. National Bank	250.00
Total	$2482.12
September 1, 1938 Balance	62.80
[G]rand Total	$2544.92

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[illegible]	$ 161.22
[illegible] Smoth Cakes	21.75
[illegible]	20[illegible].55
[illegible]	9.05
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	756.24
[illegible]	16.00
[illegible] Savings Account	1211.27
[Previ]ous Year Balance	1[illegible]6.40
Total	$44[illegible]2.15

[Disburs]ements:

[illegible]. Committee Treas.	$ 531.80
[illegible] Treasurer	520.00
[illegible] & Parsonage	1673.19
[illegible]	1192.97
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible].19
[illegible]	[illegible]

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[BR]OTHERHOOD:

Receipts:

Offerings	27.20
Lutfisk Dinner	62.45
Previous Year Balance	11.45
Total	$ 101.10

Disbursements:

Organists' Salaries	$ 70.00
Astorian Budget Ad	1.00
Larson Dairy	[illegible].80
Grocery	12.[illegible]
Brief Case	[illegible].69
Laundry	[illegible].49
Flowers	[illegible]
Total	$ [illegible]
October 1, 1938 Balance	[illegible]
Grand Total	$ 101.10

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BUILDING FUND:

Receipts:

Loan, May 20, 1937	$2174.30
Contributions	8[illegible].93
Previous Year Balance	2[illegible]0.75
Total	$3275.98

Disbursements:

On Notes or Loans	$ 777.08
Interest on Loans	82.[illegible]0
Labor and Material	109[illegible].[illegible]0
Total	$1958.98
October 1, 1938 Balance	1317.00
Grand Total	$3275.98

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DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY:

Receipts:

Offerings	[illegible]
Silver Tea	[illegible]
Previous Year Balance	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

Disbursements:

Gift	[illegible]
Secretary Expense	[illegible]
Pew Fund	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]
October 1, 1938 Balance	[illegible]
Grand Total	[illegible]

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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY:

Receipts:

Dues		$ 13.00
Sustaining Fund		.50
Christmas Cheer	1937	4.04
Seamen's Mission	"	3.00
Bethphage Mission	"	2.00
Jewish Missions	"	2.01
Boxes of Blessing	"	9.18
Prayer Day Offering	"	5.65
Dime Books	"	6.00
Literature, YWMS	1938	[illegible]0
Anna Olson's Salary		26.40
Home Missions		24.00
Administration Fund		2.[illegible]0
Jewish Missions		[illegible].55
Boxes of Blessing		7.06
Christmas Cheer		3.25
Dime Books		3.40
Literature Fund		1.00
My Missionary for a Day		2.10
Girls Home, Vancouver, B. C.		[illegible]
Grand Total		[illegible]

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YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY:

Receipts:

Collections	$ 1[illegible].[illegible]0

[Disb]urse[ments]:

[Girls Ho]me, Vancouver, B. C.	[illegible]
[illegible] 1938 Balance	1[illegible]

[illegible] report was [illegible] by Mrs. [illegible], [illegible] as follows:

[illegible]ity Lutheran Congregation,
[illegible]on.

[illegible] Financial
[illegible] Committee Treasurer,
[illegible] Church Societies of Trinity
[illegible] Board have compared [illegible] verified.

(Signed) C. A. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

A motion was made by Mr. P. Kreutch, seconded by Mr. A. [illegible], that all financial reports and pastor's report be accepted.

A motion was made by J. F. Christian, seconded by E. Hammes and carried limiting term of office of board members to one term, with an interval of at least one year before election again to the board.

A motion was made by Mr. C. O. Moberg, seconded by E. Hammes to change time of annual meeting from October to January. Carried.

Mr. J. F. Christian, Clark Hedeen, and Capt. C. A. Larson were elected deacons for three years.

Mr. Herman Slotte, John Slotte and Victor Jackson were elected Trustees for three years.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the outgoing board members.

A rising vote of appreciation was given Capt. J. A. Hugeblom.

A unanimous vote was cast for Dr. Kullberg for Supt. of the Church School.

Mr. A. J. Hemminkson was elected delegate to the Columbia Conference Convention.

Dr. K. W. Kullberg was elected alternate to the Columbia Conference

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[illegible] motion was made and seconded that the building committee remain the same.

[illegible] Hedeen (Mrs.), Mr. C. Grimstead, Mrs. Elliot were elected auditors.

[illegible]tion was made by Mr. J. E. Hicks that the financial secretary be

[illegible]

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[illegible]dations made in the pastoral report were all approved.

[illegible] Mrs. C. O. Moberg, seconded by Mrs. J. F. Christiansen

[illegible]nd supplication for future guidance.

[illegible] Mr. R. Hoyer.

K. W. Kullberg

Minutes of the Tenth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 16, 1940
7:30 p.m.

[illegible] meeting opened with the singing of hymn 165 in the Junior Hymnal. Pastor Kempe read [illegible] 115 after which hymn 119 verses 1 and 4 was sung.

There were 58 present at this meeting.

[illegible] in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of [illegible]. A short preliminary talk was given by the Pastor mentioning the fact that this meeting begins the second decade of our church's history.

Pastor Kempe read his annual report, this report covering a period of 15 months instead of twelve since the time of meeting has been changed from October to January. This report was as follows:

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation
Astoria, Oregon

Grace be multiplied unto you in Christ Jesus. Amen

"This is the victory that overcometh--even our faith." I John 5:4.

"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy and for thy truth's sake." Psalm 115:1

Again have we come to the time for an annual meeting in Trinity Church. Because of the change in constitution, the year just past covers a period of fifteen months. When, therefore, you listen to the reports, financial and otherwise, keep that fact in mind. The period includes two Thanksgivings, two Christmas' and two Rally Months.

The last year has again been another experience of "Faith in action". Trinity has continued its work with faith in God and a trust that plans laid down through the years might be completed and new victories won. It has no doubt been said in Trinity many times about this or that project, "It cannot be done", "we will not succeed". However, many other songs have been sung by the faithful members of the congregation which have has other words than the pessimistic phrases just quoted. We have heard these new songs time and again and some of the phrases have sounded like this: "God wills it"; "By God's Grace we will succeed"; "It can be done if we try". Therefore, at this annual meeting do we have the privilege to report that our church is finished within with the exception of the altar, and the new sanctuary has been dedicated to the glory of God. Faith has overcome, and after ten years of work, sometimes mingled with trials and disappointments, we have reached the fulfillment of hope which hope nestled in the bosom of the souls of our pioneers when Trinity was organized in 1929.

But man must not take the major glory for the achievement. To God belongeth the praise. It is His inspiration and His work. Man has been faithful in proportion to his own limitation and therefore deserves appreciation for sacrifices and labors given, but to God belongeth all the glory for inspiration, guidance and the giving of the will to do. Therefore, as now we meet in annual session as a congregation, is it fitting for us to sing the old doxology, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow".

The Means of Grace

The main function of the church of Jesus Christ on earth is to administer [illegible] of Grace. Worship services with the preaching of the Word of God have [illegible] regularly throughout the fifteen month period. There have been [illegible] services conducted with a total attendance of 9,684, or an average of [illegible] each service. There have been conducted 63 evening services with a [illegible] of 886 or an average of 14 plus. There have been also conducted [illegible] and the claims of [illegible] in attendance at these [illegible]

[illegible] ing re- [illegible]lt. Most of [illegible]

The Lord's Supper has been celebrated 8 times in Trinity during these fifteen months. 190 of our members have received this Means of Grace one or more times during this period; 37 non-members have also communed with us when the Lord's holy table has been spread. The average attendance at each communion table has been 99 plus. Twelve of our members registering a perfect attendance having communed at all of the eight celebrations. We stress two things in our report today, namely, [illegible] joy is ours to receive the Lord Christ in his Supper, and [illegible] neglect to register your communion at each of these festive occasions.

We are thankful for the privilege of worshiping in and with the Word of God. We are also thankful for the privilege of serving in the administration of the Sacraments. Through these means the Lord is increasing and quickening his church.

Building Project

In another paragraph, under Major Events, we shall list the special dates appertaining to the completion of our church building. In this paragraph we merely recite for the sake of the record the fact that at long last we are now worshiping in the sanctuary intended for Trinity from the beginning of our organization. May the Lord bless us as we use these physical facilities in worship and hearing the Word. This project, however, is not yet completed. There remains the altar in the sanctuary to be finished, minor improvements in the building will be made. Eventually we hope that the open foundations still waiting for materials of brick and stone may be continued up thus completing the exterior appearance and finishing the window framework on the outside which still stand incomplete. All this will be accomplished eventually. Faith in God will do it.

We are grateful to the Building Committee for its long period of service in this major task of Trinity. We wish it were possible to say to the committee, "You are now dismissed". As we see it, however, we do not believe that that time has come. When that time comes, know that Trinity Church is grateful for this service. In the name of God do we wish it to be known that every contributor in money and labor is officially thanked by the congregation for contributions given in the building of Trinity's temple. The measure of thanksgiving does not depend upon the size of the gift but upon the spirit in which it has been given. We are grateful to our architect for announcing the cancellation of his architectural fees on the day that our church was dedicated. This is but one of the hundreds of gifts that have been given by the men and women of our church towards the completion of this building project. But we say again, "To God belongeth all the glory".

It was announced in the fall of 1939 that Mrs. Johanna Larson had remembered in her will Trinity Church with a substantial gift. When this estate is settled we will be ready to announce how much this gift will be. For the time being we express our gratitude to God for prompting this servant to remember her church in this way. We trust the example will be followed by others.

Christian Education

If the Church has any major task to perform in any community it is that of Christian education. With the success or failure of this department of her work the Church will live or die. The Lutheran church has alway been a proponent of intensified religious training for children and youth. Sometimes members of the church are slow in assuming the proper attitude and interest towards this great work. It is so apt to become secondary. Almost any kind of an excuse is sometimes offered for irregularities in a church's educational project. In the past it has been the habit to build churches for adults and not for children. In the later decades, we are pleased to know, that, this attitude and practice is changing. Some churches even build church school buildings and place the classrooms in the upper story of the building where light and ventilation come easily instead of in a dark and dingy basement. With a little revamping Trinity Church will have a very acceptable church school equipment--such as classrooms, blackboards, study tables and the like. We are working in that direction now. Let no one discourage us in our efforts.

Church school was conducted during the fifteen months on 65 Sunday mornings. The grand total attendance was 5,880 or an average attendance of 90 plus. The [illegible] attendance on any Sunday was August sixth when 40 were present. With a little [illegible] attendance will be improved. [illegible] and cooperation [illegible] Life Series courses prepared by Augustana's Commission on Christian [illegible] has been introduced in all the departments. The teachers and officers [illegible] faithfully with some rare exceptions. Dr. Kullberg has continued as [illegible] serving as associate until September first last [illegible] was appointed to that position. Miss Rasmusson is now [illegible] for the new year. With her aptitude [illegible] Ephesians 4:12 [illegible].

[illegible] d during two weeks in the month of May, 1939. [illegible] The enrollment increased from day to day until [illegible] full. Among those enrolled were 25 from Trinity, [illegible] Methodist, 8; Episcopal, 3; Baptist, 3; Salvation Army 2; Presbyterian 2; [illegible] "Co-Church", 14. The average attendance [illegible]. Another venture of similar kind will be asked for next spring.

The Board of Deacons was authorized at the last meeting of the congregation to appoint a Church Scho[illegible] [illegible] oard. For 1940 the church council [illegible] Kraetch to serve on this committee.

We attempted a teacher's training course last spring with only a fraction of success. Three of our workers completed the course given for credit. We intend to repeat this again at a later date.

We ask for your prayers in behalf of all our efforts in the Christian educational work in Trinity.

A group of 16 young people was confirmed into communicant membership in Trinity May 21, 1939. Four adults have also been confirmed during this period. One of these received adult baptism. A school of 12 pupils is now preparing for confirmation this spring.

Finances

The treasurers of various departments of our church are filing their reports for this annual meeting of the congregation and therefore do we not need to say very much in this report. We are grateful to all who have supported Trinity's work so bountifully. We have always said that the Lord provides the means if but we have faith in Him and work conscientously in the upbuilding of the Kingdom. The PastorIs Cabinet is proposing the so-called Unified treasury system for Trinity. We believe this to be a step in the right direction.

Societies

Trinity has societies that work and societies that seemingly more or less sleep. The roster of societies includes Junior Mission Society, Young Women's Missionary Society, Women's Missionary Society, Daughters of Trinity, Luther League, Lutheran Brotherhood and Ladies Aid.

Regular meetings have been held by most of these societies and we ask the secretary of each to give us a full report of members and average attendance. The pastor must report to Conference on these items as well as the purpose of each organization in his annual report to the general church body. The Ladies Aid is still the major organization as to external accomplishment but the others have made their contributions in proportion to ability for the good of our common work.

The Daughters of Trinity are finishing the nursery room near the vestibule of the new sanctuary. We hope that the officers and members of each society will assume their respective responsibilities in dead earnest so that all our societies can give legitimate reason for existence in Trinity's program. Unless work is accomplished there is no need of a society. Read carefully the financial statements from each of these groups and draw your own conclusions.

Boards, Committees, Officers

To all these who have faithfully served the church during this past period do we say "thank you."

Miss Ethel Wicks has served as organist, Mrs. Kempe as choir director and [illegible] land as church custodian. We owe gratitude to these servants who have [illegible] ted in Trinity their talents. The choir has functioned well during the year. [illegible] adies Chorus and the Men's Chorus have contributed acceptably in song. Many [illegible] men have given time in assisting with the custodian's work. The Building [illegible] has directed the building project; the Deacons and trustees are each in [illegible] ective places serving Trinity's holy cause. The Pastor's Cabinet has [illegible] instruction by the church and at this meeting is presenting nominations [illegible] ective offices as well as recommended resolutions. The term of office [illegible] ing deacons expires at this meeting; Theodore H. Olsen, Nels J. [illegible] . Soderberg. The term of office for the following trustees [illegible] Charles Fors. Otto Jacobson Edwin Estersund. The Cabinet [illegible] ee be elected for one year to complete [illegible] our ci[illegible] are to be elected each for three years [illegible] e now. May the church elect God- [illegible] ffices.

As we think of servants, do we also remember with appreciation the treasurers' work done by Mr. Ed Westersund and Mr. Theodore H. Olson as well as Ragnor E. Hoyer. There are many chores connected with this kind of work and these men have served uncomplainingly in their respective places. To Mr. Emil Rasmus has belonged the arduous task of financial secretary. It is no little job from week to week to open the contribution envelopes, record the amounts, credit and divide the incomes between the respective treasuries. We thank you therefore, Mr. Rasmus, for work well done and that without pay.

Major Events

The following special events should be mentioned in this report:

October 24, 1938: Installation of Pastor Kempe in Trinity conducted by the Conference president, the Rev. Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, assisted by other visiting and local pastors.

October 30, 1938: Joint Reformation Festival at Bethany Church with the Rev. A. S. Berg of Tacoma as speaker.

November 27, 1938: Combination Church School and Morning Worship Services.

December 25, 1938: First worship in the new sanctuary at six o'clock in the morning--Christmas matins. 486 in attendance.

February 15, 1939: Dedication of church organ by Pastor Kempe with Professor T. S. Roberts of Willamette University as guest organist assisted by Willeta Sneed, soprano. 715 in attendance.

Three Hour Service on Good Friday afternoon by four of the City Lutheran pastors.

May 21, 1939: First confirmation service in new sanctuary with sixteen young people confirmed.

May 28, 1939: Pentecost offering for home missions amounting to some $106.

June 17-18, 1939: Portland District Luther League Convention in Trinity.

September 13-17, 1939: Tenth Anniversary of the congregation with church dedication. Visiting pastors: Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, the Reverends R. P. Oliver, J. A. Edlund, Carl S. Odell, J. A. Martin and Mrs. Martin, H. W. Lundblad, as well as local lay speakers and pastors.

December 18-22, 1939: Installation of the grilles for the organ chambers.

We are now planning for entertaining the Columbia Conference at its 1940 Annual Convention. The Conference will convene in Trinity April 24-28, 1940.

Miscellaneous

It is with gratitude that we can acknowledge the completion of the garage entrance, the cement drive as well as the wonderful fireplace in the parsonage. The Ladies Aid made possible the fireplace improvement.

It has been the privilege for Trinity to let one of the local mortuaries [illegible]se our church for chapel purposes during some over four months while this establish[illegible]t has been constructing a new place for their business. The congregation has [illegible] properly reimbursed for this service. However the greater gain in this matter [illegible] been the fine advertising which it has given our sanctuary. Many who have never [illegible] of Trinity Church before have now been even within her portals and this pub[illegible]y can not be measured in money.

[illegible] congregation strives, through many of its members, to serve in various [illegible]ity in which we live. We want Astoria to feel our presence in ways [illegible] improvement and development. We must not hide our light under the bushel. [illegible] service is a worthwhile service for any congregation.

[illegible] need of Home Mission work in Astoria. There are thousands in [illegible] area not yet affiliated with any church. This is our first [illegible]ation must not in itself be a field; it must be a [illegible] the high-ways and gather them in. Let [illegible]

[illegible]

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Statistics

Baptisms - - - - 16 children and one adult
Confirmed - - - - 16 children and four adults
Marriages - - - - 16 couples
Communicants received by letter and confession, 38
Children received with their parents, 6
Dismissals, six communicants, 6
Funerals of communicants, 6
Funerals of children-members, 2
Funerals of non-members, 33

[illegible], besides those already gi[illegible]:
Week-Day programs and concerts, ten with a total att[illegible]
average of 221 plus.
Birthday socials, 12 with a total attendance of 783, or an average of 65 plus.

In Memoriam

The following members of Trinity congregation have gone to their eternal reward during this fiscal year:

Edward Edling, passed away November 30, 1938 at the age of 79 years 1 mo. 10 days

Baby Carl Dean Stephens, passed away July 21, 1939 -- infant.

Mrs. Mary Hansen, passed away August 30, 1939 at the age of 75 yrs. 2 mos. 18 days.

Mrs. Johanna Larson, passes away October 2, 1939 at the age of 78 yrs. 1 mo. 8 days.

Patsy Irene Sams, passed away in November, two months old

Mrs. Victor Westersund, passed away November 30, 1939 at the age of 68 yrs. 3 mos. 3 days

Mrs. Mathila Seim, passed away December 6, 1939 at the age of 76 yrs. 4 mos. 8 days.

Mrs. Orleen Swift, passed away December 28, 1939 at the age of 41 yrs. 5 mos. 27 days

May peace abide with the spirit of each one of these departed members!

And now may honor and glory abound unto the Lord Jesus Christ, the Head of [illegible] church. Victorious in faith, salvation to our souls but glory to His Holy Name-- [illegible]s is Trinity's song as we begin the year 1940.

[illegible]toria, Oregon
[illegible] 16, 1940

Yours in Christ,
J. Walton Kempe
J. Walton Kempe, Pastor

Th[illegible] ing financial summaries were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

[illegible]:

[illegible]	$ 2380.30
[illegible]	3[illegible]0.44
[illegible]	72.76
[illegible]	390.00
[illegible]	120.00
[illegible]	[illegible].64
[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

To Benevolent Treasurer:

Weekly Envelopes	$ 625.25
Loose Offering	86.74
Christmas Offering 1939	107.70
Thanksgiving 1938	23.05
Thanksgiving 1939	37.11
Ladies Aid	60.00
[illegible] Boxes	9[illegible].78
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

CURRENT TREASURER

Credits:		
Balance, October 1, 1938		$ 369.20
Financial Secretary		3439.29
Rev. Kempe-Advance on freight		148.71
Miscellaneous:		
Hospital Auxiliary	$10.00	
Sale of doors	15.00	
Women's Chorus	9.85	
Refund on Ins Pre.	2.14	
		36.99
Total		$ 3994.19

Disbursements:	
Water	$ 54.10
Electricity	240.55
Fuel - Oil	116.03
Insurance	134.30
Astorian-Budget	32.20
Augustana Book Concern	125.40
Brewer Billie Lumber Co.	25.39
Astoria Office Appliance Co.	61.70
Brookfield Co.	21.00
Building Fund	71.02
Music	39.80
Montgomery Ward Co.	65.29
Wolverton Printing-Bulletins	6.92
Globe Envelope Co.	32.09
City Lumber and Supply Co.	19.09
Choir-Robe Offering	22.43
Salaries: Pastor	2500.00
Organist	88.33
Custodian	255.00
Miscellaneous	45.46
Total	$ 3956.10
Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1939	38.09
Grand Total	$ 3994.19

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Receipts:	
Balance, Oct. 2, 1938	$ 46.42
Sunday Offerings	329.34
Christmas Offerings (two)	56.13
Easter Offering	70.55
Vacation Bible School	24.03
Total	$ 526.47

Disbursements:	
Junior Mission Society	$ 34.99
Home Missions-Benevolences	15.00
Supplies	245.15
Envelopes and Postage	5.50
Primary Chairs	35.64
Chancel Rail	118.00
Flowers	3.25
Miscellaneous	6.32
Total	$ 464.15
Balance, Jan. 1, 1940	62.32
Grand Total	$ 526.47

LADIES AID

Receipts:	
Balance, Oct. 1, 1938	$ 244.19
Luncheons, Dinners and Smorgasbords	4016.57
Donations	46.66
Betty Brights	17.95
Meetings	206.68
Interest	[illegible]
Total	$ 4533.14

Disbursements:	
To Building Committee	$ 1145.00
To Financial Secretary	450.00
Church Carpet	295.01
To Savings Account	207.77
Merchandise	1743.85
Fire Place	102.00
[illegible]	75.60
Chairs and Sweeper	131.00
Total	$ 4150.23
Balance, January 1, 1940	382.91
	$ 4533.14

BROTHERHOOD

Receipts:	
Balance, Oct. 1, 1938	$ 2.15
[illegible]-meetings, banquet etc	89.24
Total	$ 91.39

Disbursements:	
To Organist Salary	$ 65.00
Supplies for meetings	18.31
Building Committee	2.75
Tree lights and stand	5.91
Total	$ 91.97
In the Red	[illegible]

[illegible]

Receipts:	
Balance, Oct. 1, 1938	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

Disbursements:	
Luth Comp Subscription	$ [illegible]
To Ladies Aid	[illegible]
Pew Fund	[illegible]
Christmas Cards	[illegible]
Tract Case in [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, Oct. 1, 1938	$ 39.34	To Building Committee	$ 65.00
Meetings	50.20	Supplies etc.	2.05
Interest	.41	Luth Comp Subscription	1.40
Dime-A-Holiday Plates	28.50	Church Offering Plates	3.60
Vagabond Basket	7.85	To Ladies Aid-Table cloths	3.00
Total	$ 126.30	Total	$ 75.05
		Balance: Regular fund	14.90
		Special fund	36.35
		Grand total	$ 126.30

JUNIOR MISSION SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, Oct. 1, 1938	$ 30.50	Dues, Assessments, etc. for 1938 and 1939	$ 61.40
Incomes	44.98	Hymnals	13.98
Total	$ 75.48	Postage and Checking	.10
		Total	$ 75.48

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Collections, Dues, Quilt money	$ 37.28	Dues, Assessments, etc	$ 48.44
Balance, Oct. 1, 1938	15.20	Total	$ 48.44
Total	$ 52.48	Balance, January 1, 1940	4.04
		Grand Total	$ 52.48

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Dues, Offerings etc	$ 165.90	Dues, assessments, etc	$ 165.90

BENEVOLENCE TREASURER

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, Oct. 1, 1938	$ 4.02	Conference Charities, and Pension Fund	$ 1076.80
Received during year	1248.44	Pentecost Home Mission	104.23
Total	$ 1252.46	Specials	4.00
		Finish Relief	24.78
		District Fare Fund	11.00
		Lenten boxes	6.21
		Fares to conference	8.00
		Postage, bulletins	6.07
		Flowers, Mrs.J. A. Martin	2.40
		Thanksgiving and Christmas envelops	2.20
		Tract Fund	2.00
		Total	$ 1247.69
		Balance, January 1, 1940	4.77
			$ 1252.46

BUILDING FUND

[illegible]		Disbursements:	
[illegible] Sept. 30, 1938	$ 1299.00	On accounts	$ 3123.95
[illegible] and Sept. 30, 1938	18.00	Balance, Jan. 1, 1940	6.24
[illegible]	1813.19	Total	$ 3130.19
Total	[illegible]		

ORGAN AND PEW FUND

[illegible]		Disbursements:	
[illegible]	[illegible]	On pews	$ 1796.16
[illegible]	[illegible]	On organ	435.75
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Interest on notes	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Misc. Accounts	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

AUDITORS REPORT

To The Trinity Lutheran Congregation,
Astoria, Oregon.

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Committee Treasurer, Church School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies' Treasurers of our congregation, as summarized above, and have found same correct and verified.

(Signed) Helena Hedeen
Edith Elliott
C. H. Grimstad

A motion was made by Carl O. Moberg and seconded by Paul H. Kraetch that all the above reports be accepted. Carried.

The following tellers were appointed to serve in the election of officers: Mrs. Esther Baker, Mrs. William Seeborg, Mrs. R. E. Hoyer, and Miss Sylvia Grimstad.

Motion prevailed that the nominations presented by the pastors cabinet be accepted. In addition Mr. John E. Wicks was nominated for the position of delegate to the annual convention of the Columbia Conference.

The pastors cabinet recommended that Mr. H. G. Schreiter's term of office as Trustee be declared vacant. This recommendation was accepted.

The following were elected deacons for a term of three years: E. Franklin Hedeen, Carl O. Moberg, and Felix Soderberg.

The following were elected trustees for a term of three years: Capt. F. S. Elfving, Conrad H. Grimsted, and Emil Rasmus.

Motion was carried, made by Dr. R. W. Kullberg and seconded by Conrad H. Grimsted, that Mr. Elmer Bloomquist by elected to complete the term (one year) of Mr. H. G. Schreiter.

Miss Johanna Rasmussen was unanimously elected Superintendent of the Church School.

Mr. Emil Rasmus was elected delegate to the annual District Convention with Carl O. Moberg as alternate.

Mr. John E. Wicks was elected delegate to the annual Convention of the Columbia Conference with Dr. R. W. Kullberg as alternate.

The following were elected auditors for 1941: Edwin Westersund, Mrs. P.K. Mitchell, and Mrs. E. C. Elliott.

The following were elected chief ushers for 1940: P. K. Mitchell, Clark V. Hedeen, A. J. Hemingson, Kurt Olsen, Nels Rasmussen, Jr., and William Seeborg.

[illegible]otion was carried that the so-called Unified Treasurery System by adopted as [illegible]mended by the pastor's cabinet. Motion was made by Mr. A. G. Backlund and [illegible]ed by Mr. John F. Christians.

[illegible]ion was carried as recommended by the pastor's cabinet that the registration [illegible] the Conference Convention be $5.00.

The following committees were appointed for the Conference Convention:

[illegible]: Clark V. Hedeen
[illegible]: Edwin Westersund
[illegible]: Mrs. E. C. Elliott, Mrs. A. J. Hemingson, Paul H. Kraetch, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Mitchell.
[illegible]: The executive board of the Ladies Aid
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]: [illegible]on, P. K. [illegible]

Decoration Committee: Mrs. R. E. Hover, Mrs. John E. Wicks, Mrs. P. L. Mitchell, Mrs. J. C. Elliott, E. Franklin Hedeen, Axel G. Backlund, Capt. C. A. Larson.

[illegible]

That the constitution of this congregation be amended by substitution in toto of the proposed constitution for congregations, adopted by the [illegible] and Synod of North America at its annual convention in June, 1939, for the constitution heretofore in effect.

That the Constitution be amended and the necessary by-laws be adopted.

That the Constitution, thus amended, be hereby adopted.

That, the Board of Trustees, as recommended by the Pastor's Cabinet, be instructed to file the new Constitution with the proper State authorities in connection with the corporation of the congregation.

THE JOHANNA LARSON ESTATE

The following report was received in the Johanna Larson estate matter: We the committee elected by the Joint Board to present recommendation to the congregation as to the application of the Johanna Larson legacy, if and when it is received by the congregation, wich herewith to recommend the following:

That, since it appears that approximately $7000 will eventually be realized from this legacy, said sum, when realized in cash, be applied as follows:

Organ	$ 1064.25
First National Bank Note	175.00
United States National Bank Notes	1725.00
On Pews	300.00
Rev. Odell Note	1000.00
½ of Ladies Aid Note	590.00
Extension Fund Note	1000.00
Improve Heating Plant and New Altar	1000.00
Total	$ 6854.25

Committee: Capt. C. A. Larson
Paul H. Kraetch
Herman Slotte
C. O. Moberg
Dr. R. W. Kullberg
A. J. Hemingson

Motion was made by E. Franklin Hedeen and seconded by Mrs. Charles Sjosten that the above recommendation be accepted. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE PASTOR'S CABINET

The following resolutions were recommended by the Pastor's Cabinet and adopted by the Congregation:

1. That we as members of the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church thank God for [illegible] many blessings [illegible] during the past year, for His guidance and [illegible]tection, both spiritually and physically. We humbly pray that we may continu[illegible] guided and directed during the coming year according to His divine will.

2. That we pray God to humble us, and fill us with His Holy Spirit that from our [illegible]s may come the sincere desire to draw souls to Christ.

3. That we gratefully acknowledge the sincere and faithful efforts of our good [illegible] serving our congregation and its organizations; that we thank God for [illegible] in his convictions, sincere in his love and [illegible]

7. That we desire to express our thanks and appreciation for the faithful service of our Church School superintendent, and to his assistant, as well as the teachers who helped them in the Christian education of our children and youth. May the Church School continue, with God's guidance, to serve Him in establishing a more firm Christian foundation for our young people.

8. That we sincerely urge our parents not to forget the Confirmation and Vacation Bible Schools and that they seriously consider their responsibility toward God in the nurturing and fostering of our church school family.

9. That we are truly grateful to all church officers, church school board members, organist, choir members, choir director, custodian, financial secretaries, all working committees, ushers, and all other loyal servants who have labored in our vineyard during the year just past.

10. That we truly appreciate the efforts of all our societies, put forth in behalf of our congregation, and we ask God to continue to use our societies in giving programs of inspiration, information and fellowship. May all our members be enrolled in at least one of our excellent church societies during the coming year.

11. That we are not unmindful of the untiring efforts of the Ladies Aid and their leaders in their laborious task of serving the Kiwanis Club each week, and that the finances of our church might be such as to be a credit to the congregation; and for their generous assistance in the church building program.

12. That we thank God for the inspiring sanctuary of worship which is ours and for the ten years of service to Him that Trinity has been priviledged, through His Grace, to give to this community.

13. That we are grateful to God for the great increase in financial returns over the previous year and all years past in the history of Trinity; returning to God a portion of that which is His in appreciation of the blessings bestowed upon us.

14. That we appreciate the efficient administration of our church affairs by the pastor and his cabinet, making possible the growth in Trinity evidenced by the reports; that this growth has been attained, not for the satisfaction of human g, but rather, for the Glory of God.

15. That we are truly thankful for the pastors of the Columbia Conference and particularly to Dr. Carl A. V. Gund, president, for their participation in the dedication of our new sanctuary and the celebration of the tenth anniversary of our church.

16. That we pray God's Blessing upon the memory of Mrs. Johanna Larson, for her remembrance of Trinity in her last will and testament and that we are not unmindful of the many Blessings given the church by the loyal and faithful members who have passed on to their reward during the year just past.

17. That we approve the pastors annual report and offer him our gratitude for a comprehensive analysis of the work of our church during the past 1 months.

. That we are grateful to the community for having called upon our good pastor so generously to perform the sacred duties of baptism, marriage, funerals, and giving of the Means of Grace at the time of sickness to even those who are not members of Trinity.

. That, through the Grace of God, we have been priviledged to present concerts insprational and sacred music, thus adding to the worship of our Lord.

[illegible] finally, we earnestly urge all our members to commune with God in worship [illegible] the hearing of the Word and through the Grace of His Sacraments, setting [illegible] each Sunday for this purpose, for the guarantee of Life Everlasting among [illegible] saints in Heaven. These Blessings we pray in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus [illegible] in Whom be Glory forever and ever, Amen.

[illegible] made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

[illegible] with the singing of the doxology and prayer and the [illegible] pastor.

R. W. Kullberg M.D.

CONSTITUTION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
AS PROPOSED BY THE AUGUSTANA SYNOD 1939
AND ADOPTED BY
THE CONGREGATION, JANUARY 16, 1940

of the

Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church of Astoria, Oregon.

PREAMBLE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

[illegible] of Christ, desiring to manifest the unity which we have with one another in our common confession of our Lord Jesus Christ, unite in the adoption of the following Constitution, and so solemnly pledge ourselves, before God and before one another, to be governed by its provisions.

ARTICLE I
Name

Sec. 1. The name of this Congregation shall be the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church of Astoria, Oregon hereinafter referred to and called the Congregation.

Sec. 2. The Congregation shall be incorporated.

Sec. 3. The name of the Congregation shall not be changed except with the sanction of the Conference to which it belongs and in the manner prescribed by the laws of the State.

ARTICLE II
Doctrine

Sec.1. The Congregation, as a Christian Church in general, and as an Evangelical Lutheran Church in particular, acknowledges the Holy Scriptures as the revealed Word of God and as the only sufficient and infallible rule and standard of faith and practice. It confesses the three ecumenical creeds, namely, the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian. It accepts the unaltered Augsburg Confession as a true exposition of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity, together with the further development of these doctrines as contained in the other symbolical books of the Lutheran Church, namely, the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalcald Articles, the Large and the Small Catechisms of Luther, and the Formula of Concord.

Sec. 2. The instruction and practices of the Congregation shall conform to this doctrinal basis.

ARTICLE III
Conference and Synodical Relations

Sec. 1. The Congregation, together with its Pastor, shall belong to the Columbia Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod of North America.

Sec. 2. The Congregation recognizes the authority of the Conference and the Synod, and it agrees to conform to their constitutions, rules, regulations, and decisions, which are now or hereafter may be in force.

Sec. 3. The Congregation shall teach and practice Christian stewardship, and it shall faithfully support the common work of the Conference and the Synod in the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God.

ARTICLE IV
Membership

Section 1. Reception of Members.

Par. 1. The Congregation shall consist of the baptized and confirmed persons who accept the provisions of this Constitution and who have been [illegible] shall be duly received into membership as hereinafter provided, and [illegible] children as have been or shall be received through Holy Baptism.

Par. 2. Admission into membership of the Congregation shall take [illegible]:

[illegible] unbaptized adults shall be received [illegible], however, must be properly instructed [illegible] zed. In their case the rite of Con-

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Par. 3. No person shall be [illegible] as a member, who is associated [illegible] sistent with the Christian faith or [illegible] God.

[illegible] investigate the applicant's [illegible] vote of the Church Council shall be necessary [illegible] ship.

Section 2. Duties of Members.

Par. 1. Members shall lead a Christian life in chari[illegible] and peace, endeavoring through admonition, consolation, and encouragement to edify one another in the faith. They shall promote the unity and welfare of the Congregation. They shall diligently and prayerfully study the Word of God, observe private and family worship, keep the Lord's Day holy, regularly attend the public worship and devotional services of the Congregation, and faithfully and reverently partake of the Lord's Supper.

Par. 2. Parents shall have their children baptized in early infancy, and shall diligently nurture them in the Christian faith, in the home, and in the schools provided by the Congregation.

Par. 3. Recognizing that all good gifts come from above, members shall, in the measure that God has prospered them, contribute to the financial support of the Congregation, as well as the general work of missions, mercy and education carried on by the Conference and Synod.

Section 3. Rights and Privileges of Members.

Par. 1. All communicant members in good standing shall be entitled to vote. It is not permissible, however, to vote by proxy.

Par. 2. All members not under discipline shall be considered in good standing.

Section 4. Discipline of Members.

Par. 1. If a member is guilty of deliberate sin, or despises the means of grace, or openly denies the Christian faith, or violates any provision of this Constitution, it shall be the duty of the Church Council to exercise discipline in his case.

Par. 2. The successive steps in church discipline shall be: private admonition by the Pastor, admonition by the Pastor in the presence of two or three witnesses, citation before the Church Council, suspension, excommunication (Mt. 18. 15-18). To this end the Church Council shall have the authority to call before it any member of the Congregation to answer charges or to give testimony, as the case may require.

Par. 3. In cases of citation before the Church Council, the person concerned shall be served with a written summons by the Pastor at least two days before the time of hearing. In addition to giving time and place of hearing, the summons shall specify the charges to be heard. Should such person fail to appear without valid cause, the Church Council may proceed with the hearing in his absence, and render judgment notwithstanding.

Par. 4. When necessary to examine witnesses, the Church Council shall have the authority to require each person who testifies to make the following affirmation: "I solemnly affirm, before God, that my testimony shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth." Whenever a civil oath is considered necessary, it shall be administered by a properly authorized officer.

Par. 5. Should the accused by found guilty and admonition prove ineffectual, the Church Council shall, according to circumstances, suspend or excommunicate him, as the Word of God prescribes.

Par. 6. Every resolution of the Church Council concerning suspension or excommunication of a member shall be communicated to him in writing.

Par. 7. Appeal from the action of the Church Council may be made to the Conference, the decision of which shall be final.

Par. 8. Any member who, after due admonition on the part of the Pastor or Church Council, fails to attend public worship, or reveals a spirit of carelessness or indifference, or persistently neglects his obligations to the Congregation, shall be dropped from membership by action of the Church Council.

Par. 9. An excommunicated, suspended, or dropped member who gives evidence of true repentance and applies for reinstatement may have his membership restored by action of the Church Council.

ARTICLE V
Administration

[illegible] The administration of the spiritual and temporal affairs of [illegible] ion shall be vested in (1) The Church Council, (2) The Board [illegible] and (3) The Board of Administration. The Congregation shall [illegible]

Sec. 2. Members of the Church Council and the Board of Trustees shall be known for their Christian life and character and well qualified for their specific duties. The members of the Church Council shall be chosen from the men of the congregation, and the officers of the Board of Trustees may be men or women.
(See Synodical Minutes for 1961, p. 353, resolution 3)

as secretary, who shall keep an [illegible] the proceedings and resolutions of the Church Council.

Par. 5. The Pastor shall convene the Church Council at [illegible] stated intervals, or upon the request of a majority of its members. The Pastor may authorize meetings of the Church Council in his absence, at which time the vice-chairman shall preside.

Par. 6. For the transaction of business a majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

Par. 7. The duties of the Church Council shall be:

a. To exercise general supervision over the spiritual activities of the Congregation, and particularly over the public worship, to the end that all things may be conducted in accordance with the Word of God and the accepted practices of our Synod.

b. To provide for Christian education of the children and youth of the Congregation, and to exercise supervision over all such activities.

c. To encourage and promote the cause of missions. To this end the Council may appoint a treasurer, who, however, shall render account to the Board of Trustees, and an annual report, properly audited, to the Congregation.

d. To assist the Pastor in visiting the sick, the infirm, and spiritually indifferent and delinquent members; to minister to the poor and afflicted and to seek the unchurched in order that they may be brought into the fold of Christ.

e. To promote a spirit of peace and good will among members of the Congregation and, if differences and dissensions should arise, to endeavor to bring about harmony and mutual understanding.

f. To examine and pass on all applications for membership in the Congregation.

g. To exercise church discipline.

h. To provide for pastoral supply during sickness or absence of the Pastor and during periods of vacancy.

Par. 8. All decisions of the Church Council involving the expenditure of funds in excess of $25 shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Administration.

Par. 9. The deacons shall be duly installed in their office.

Par. 10. The activities of the Church Council shall be included in the Pastor's annual report to the Congregation.

Section 4. The Board of Trustees.

Par. 1. The Board of Trustees shall consist of no less than three members nor more than twelve members. They shall be elected for a term of three years each, in such manner that one-third are retired and a like number elected each year.

Par. 2. Trustees shall qualify for office as the laws of the State and the rules of the Congregation may prescribe.

Par. 3. The Pastor shall be an advisory member of the Board of Trustees and shall attend the meetings of the Board.

Par. 4. The Board of Trustees shall meet within ten days after the annual meeting of the Congregation for the purpose of organizing. At this meeting the Board shall elect from among its members, except where state laws otherwise provide, a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and a treasurer. The Board shall also elect a financial secretary, who need not be a member of said Board.

Par. 5. The duties of the president, the vice-president and the secretary shall be such as usually appertain to these offices.

Par. 6. The financial secretary shall receive and keep record of all income from contributing members and other sources. He shall report in writing to the Board of Trustees at its regular meetings and also make a written report, properly audited, to the annual meeting of the Congregation. The routine work incident to the office may, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, be delegated by the financial secretary to an assistant, but the responsibility for the proper discharge of the duties of the office shall rest with the financial secretary.

Par. 7. The treasurer shall receive from the financial secretary all moneys collected from whatsoever source, except such funds as are handled by the mission treasurer of the Church Council, if there be such a one, and shall make all disbursements by direction of the Board of Trustees or the Congregation.

[illegible] Par. 8. The treasurer shall keep proper records of all funds handled [illegible] producing receipts for all disbursements. He shall render a finan- [illegible] statement to the Board of Trustees at its regular meeting, and a yearly [illegible] properly audited, to the Congregation at its annual meeting, includ- [illegible] statement of assets and liabilities.

[illegible] treasurer, the financial secretary, and his assistant, if [illegible] bond executed by one or more corporate sureties, [illegible] each of whom shall own real estate [illegible] and above all incumbrances. [illegible] of the sureties shall be deter- [illegible] therefor shall be paid by [illegible]

[illegible]

Par. 11. The president and the secretary of the Board of Trustees may be authorized by resolution of the Board to sign documents on its behalf.

Par. 12. [illegible]

Section 5. The Board o[illegible].

Par.1. The Board of Administration shall consist of the Pastor, the deacons, and the trustees.

Par. 2. An annual meeting of this Board shall be held. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Pastor, or at the request of three of its members.

Par. 3. The Pastor shal[illegible] of the Board.

Par. 4. The duties of the Board of Administration shall be:

a. To act in a consultative capacity.

b. To seek to co-ordinate the policies of the Church Council and the Board of Trustees, as well as all activities within the Congregation.

c. To fill all vacancies that may occur in the Church Council and the Board of Trustees, until the next annual meeting of the Congregation.

d. To fill all other official vacancies in the Congregation, except that of the Pastor, until the next annual meeting of the Congregation.

e. To approve the minutes of the annual and special meetings of the Congregation, unless the minutes be approved at a congregational meeting.

f. To perform such other duties, duly authorized by the Congregation, as do not specifically belong to the Church Council or the Board of Trustees.

g. To report on its activities at the annual meeting of the Congregation.

Par. 5. If, in the judgment of the Board of Administration, it becomes advisable to readjust any or all salaries paid by the Congregation, it shall give this matter due consideration and shall present its recommendations to the Congregation at an annual or a special meeting or to the particular board or committee which has been granted authority by the Congregation to fix the salary or salaries in question.

Par. 6. The Board of Administration shall have authority to require reports of any officer, board, or organization of the Congregation.

Section 6. The Secretary of the Congregation.

Par. 1. The Secretary of the Congregation shall be elected at the annual meeting for a term of one year, or until his successor has been duly chosen.

Par. 2. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep accurate minutes of all congregational meetings, to preserve the historical records of the Congregation, and to perform such other duties as may be delegated to him.

ARTICLE VI

The Pastor

Sec. 1 The Pastor of the Congregation shall be a man whose soundness in the faith, aptness to teach, and educational qualifications have been examined and approved by the Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod, and who has been properly ordained; who accepts and adheres to the doctrinal basis of the Synod and the Congregation (Article II); whose life and conduct are above reproach; and who is a member in good standing of the Ministerium of the Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod.

Sec. 2. In the event a Pastor is called who is not a member of the Augustana Ministerium, he shall not enter upon permanent service in the Congregation until he shall have been approved by said Ministerium.

Sec. 3. As soon as practicable after entering upon his duties as Pastor of the Congregation, he shall be duly installed in his office.

Sec. 4. The duties of the Pastor shall be:

Par. 1. To preach the Word of God and administer the Holy Sacraments according to the confession of the Congregation (Article II).

Par. 2. To live an exemplary Christian life.

Par. 3. To visit the sick, the infirm, the destitute and afflicted, and [illegible] pastoral care among the members of the Congregation.

[illegible] To devote himself diligently to the instruction and training [illegible]

[illegible] To comfort, instruct, reprove, admonish, and warn, both [illegible] privately, the members of the Congregation, as the Word of [illegible] (1 Tim. 2. 1-7.)

[illegible] To be ever mindful of his calling as a winner of souls, both [illegible] out the Congregation.

[illegible] church records.

sup ort and co-operation of the Church Council.

Sec. 7. Charges against the Pastor of neglect of duty, or of false doctrine, or of un-Christian conduct, in [illegible] the President of the Conference and to the Pastor. The President of Conference shall thereupon take such action as the Conference Constitution prescribes.

Sec. 8. When the Pastor desires to terminate his period of service, he shall tender his resignation in writing to the Church Council, but shall, unless otherwise agreed, continue to serve for ~~three~~ 2 months thereafter. As soon as practicable, the resignation shall be acted upon by the Congregation at a meeting regularly called by the Church Council.

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Sec. 9. If in the judgment of two-thirds of the members of the Church Council a change of Pastor is advisable, the Church Council shall consult with the Conference President, who shall lay the matter before the Executive Committee of the Conference. Should that body find that the best interests of the Church would be served by a change, it shall [illegible] submit to the Congregation the question [illegible] office. The Congregation shall then [illegible] President of the Conference presiding. To terminate the Pastor's tenure of office, a two-thirds vote of the members present shall be necessary. In the event the Executive Committee of the Conference is unsuccessful in its efforts to transfer the Pastor to another field, the Congregation may terminate his tenure of office by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a special meeting of the Congregation, the President of the Conference presiding. If the Congregation belongs to a Synodical Mission District, the President and the Board of Home Missions of the Synod shall have jurisdiction and shall follow the procedure outlined above. When the Pastor's tenure of office is terminated by action of the Congregation, it shall become effective ninety days after such action has been taken.

Sec. 10. If the Pastor should desire a change of field, but has no call elsewhere, he may confer with the President of the Conference, who shall take the matter under advisement, and if he deems it expedient, take steps to secure a call for him.

Sec. 11. When the Pastor reaches the age of seventy years, his tenure of office shall automatically terminate. The Congregation, however, may continue him in service for such additional period as it may decide from time to time.

ARTICLE VII
Meetings

Sec. 1. The annual meeting of the Congregation shall be held in January of each year.

Sec. 2. Special meetings of the Congregation may be called by the Pastor, the Church Council, the Board of Administration, or upon the written request of ten per cent of the communicant members of the Congregation.

Sec. 3. Notice of all congregational meetings shall be given at a regular service or through the mails at least ten days before such a meeting shall be held. Such notice shall be given by the Pastor or the secretary of the Church Council. In the case of a special meeting of the Congregation, the subject to be considered and acted upon shall be stated.

Sec. 4. To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the Congregation ~~[illegible]~~ 10% must be present. — 1949 - P. 3

Sec. 5. A majority of all votes cast shall be conclusive in all cases, unless otherwise provided. If the votes for and against a given proposition are equally divided, the chairman of the meeting may cast the deciding vote.

ARTICLE VIII
Elections

Sec. 1. All elections of officers of the Congregation shall take place [illegible] annual meeting of the Congregation. Deacons and trustees shall be [illegible] by ballot, and other officers may be chosen in the same manner, if [illegible] tion so decides.

[illegible] of the Church Council shall be [illegible] meeting shall then be duly called by [illegible] candidate publicly anno[illegible]

Sec. 3. If the Congregation unites with one or more congregations in calling a Pastor, the Church Councils of the several congregations shall meet jointly and propose a candidate for election, the election to be held separately in each congregation. Two-thirds of all the votes cast and a majority of the votes cast in each individual congregation, shall be necessary for election. In all other respects the order of procedure shall be that set forth in the preceding paragraph.

Sec. 4. If the Congregation is supported in part by Synod mission funds, it shall confer with the Board of Home Missions of the Synod in the election of a Pastor and in salary stipulations, and shall be governed by the decisions of the Board.

Sec. 5. Pastors or lay preachers temporarily engaged to serve the Congregation during a period of vacancy must be properly licensed by the Conference President.

Sec. 6. When a vacancy occurs, the Congregation shall elect a Vice-pastor, whose rights and duties shall be those of a regular Pastor.

Sec. 7. All workers engaged by the Congregation shall be elected at congregational meetings unless otherwise decided.

ARTICLE IX
Appeals

Should there arise any factional strife or contention which the Congregation is unable to adjust, either party, or both, may appeal to the Conference whose decision shall be final.

ARTICLE X
Property Rights

Sec. 1. In case of schism in the Congregation, its real and personal property shall belong to those who faithfully adhere to the Constitution and remain in connection with the Conference to which the Congregation belongs.

Sec. 2. The Congregation shall not dispose of its real and personal property with a view to dissolving the Congregation, except with the consent of the Executive Committee of the Conference to which the Congregation belongs.

Sec. 3. In the event of dissolution of the Congregation, or in the event the Congregation should decide to affiliate with another Lutheran Synod without the consent of the Executive Committee of the Conference to which the Congregation belongs, all its real and personal property shall accrue to the Board of Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Columbia Conference of the Augustana Synod.

ARTICLE XI
Seal

Sec. 1. The seal of the Congregation presents

Sec. 2. The Pastor shall be custodian of the seal of the Congregation.

ARTICLE XII
Amendments and By-Laws

Sec. 1. Any alterations or amendments to this Constitution must receive a two-thirds majority vote at an annual or special meeting of the Congregation, whereupon it must be reported to the Synod at the next convention of that body. If it receives the sanction of the Synod, it must again be submitted to the Congregation for final ratification. If then passed by a two-thirds vote at a meeting of the Congregation, it thereby becomes a part of this Constitution. Insertions where blanks occur in this Constitution, such as number of deacons and trustees, need not be ratified by Conference or Synod, not need subsequent changes in such insertions be so ratified. This, however, does not apply to Article I.

Sec. 2. It is expressly ordained that Articles II, X and XII, Sec. 2, [illegible] altered or amended.

[illegible] By-laws, not in conflict with the letter and spirit of this [illegible] may be adopted by the Congregation.

Sec. 4. Any by-law, resolution, or enactment of the Congregation [illegible] from or in conflict with this Constitution is hereby superseded [illegible] led.

BY-LAWS

1. [illegible] Congregation shall [illegible] or a sum any of such [illegible]

2. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] section, [illegible] shall serve more than one term [illegible]

5. No deacon or trustee shall serve more than one term or any portion there-of in immediate succession and shall not be eligible for election to either board for one year after expiration of the one term.

inventory of all property and a statement of assets and liabilities.

7. Delegates and alternates to Distri

ected at the annual

8. In the event that neither the delegate nor the alternate is able to attend a District or Conference meeting,

shall have authority to appoint a substitute delegate.

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That the annual appointment for the office of auditor and finance secretary be limited to three (3) three consecutive terms.

Minutes of the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 15, 1941
8:00 P.M.

The meeting opened with the singing of hymn 166, verses 1, 2 and 4 in the Junior Hymnal. Pastor Kempe read Matthew 12, verses 46-50 and offered prayer, after which hymn 120, verses 1, 4 and 6 were sung.

There were 62 voting members present.

The Pastor declared the meeting opened in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Pastor Kempe then read his annual report, which was as follows:

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation
Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace!

"Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." Psalms 46:10.

Do not these words sound not only paradoxical to our ears but untrue as well? We are so tempted in the face of world conditions today to feel that God is not God and that He does not rule any longer. Fear, distrust, cynicism, spiritual and physical as well as mental weariness crowd themselves upon us. Satan has always used unsavory conditions to upset man's spiritual mind and heart. By this method he caused the disobedience in the Garden of Eden; by these same means he is disturbing our minds today.

Not only man but also God's Church is threatened with this spiritual disease but we have no reason to despair as the song writer of the last century expressed in verse:

"Mid toil, and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits for consummation
Of peace for evermore."

Another writer expressed the same confidence when he said:

"Thy sceptre, Jesus, shall extend
As far as day prevaileth;
Thy glorious kingdom without end
Shall stand when all else faileth."

God is still God. The events of today are but a natural development or a consequence of man's sin. Nations come and go. When nations reach to high levels of pride and prosperity, arrogance, greed and selfishness usually take possession of the national mind, then God has to come in and give these nations a deserving spanking. God still remains, He rules, He is being exalted even though rejected. The more He is rejected, the more He will have to punish with the scourge of war and pestilence.

However, the Church lives on in nations at peace and in nations at war. She has the message, the only message of hope and redemption to tried hearts and repentant people. The gates of hell will not prevail against her. She will stand when all else faileth.

"Crowns and thrones may perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane
But the Church of Jesus
Constant shall remain.
Gates of hell can never
'Gainst that Church prevail:
We have Christ's own promise
And that cannot fail."

In the great onward march of the Christian church, the year 1940 now lies in the archives of history. The chapters of all the departments of Christian work in the world have been finished. This is also true of Trinity's part in this glorious program. 1940 was an outstanding year for our congregation. In many respects the activities exceeded those of any of the last several years. The reports to be given in this annual meeting of the congregation will indicate this. Your pastor's report will reflect some of the work accomplished.

THE WORD AND SACRAMENTS

Worship services have been held on all of the fifty-two Sundays of the year. With one or two exceptions, evening services have been included in this program for every Lord's day during 1940. Young people's vesper services were held on 13 Sunday afternoons in the fall. Church school was conducted on all the Sundays. There have been 52 morning services conducted with a total of 6,970 or an average of 134 at each service. There have been conducted 51 evening services with the total attendance of 3,164, or an average of 62. The total attendance at the vesper services was 714 or an average of 164 at each

service. There have also been conducted 36 funerals at which time the Word of God has been preached and the comforting message of the gospel declared. There were in attendance at these funerals 2,520, or an average of 70.

Then, too, the word of God has been read under prayer and meditations given at most of the meetings of the church societies. In the sick room and in our hospital your pastor has had many opportunities to let this same word of God exercise its power upon the souls of men.

In the matter of the sacraments, it can be reported that 17 souls have been baptized and of these one was an adult. Most of the baptisms have taken place at the regular church service.

The Lord's Supper has been celebrated 7 times with a total of 792 or an average of 112 at each communion service. Holy Communion has also been celebrated privately with those who have been ill. This mission, namely that of administering the Lord's Supper to shut-ins is always a delightful experience to any pastor.

Thus the means of grace have been administered in Trinity during 1940. This mission of the church should be and is an indicator that the church is alive and has a living message to give and that God, the Father of all Grace, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ is still working in the heart of men.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We have already indicated that Church-School was conducted on all the Sundays of the year. The grand total attendance was 4,575 with an average attendance of 88 at each session. This average is slightly less than for the year 1939 and this is due for two reasons. We have had smaller attendance on some of the summer Sundays than the previous year and the flu epidemic in December cut down an otherwise usually high church-school attendance. Trinity is fortunate in having one of the finest church-school faculties one could want. Every member of the faculty at the present time is outstanding in equipment and in talent. This is unusual. Then, too, under the extremely fine leadership of our superintendent, Mrs. Johanna Amundsen, and associate superintendent, Miss Eleanor Iversen, the work is directed by experienced minds.

A Vacation Bible School was held again for two weeks in the month of May with an enrollment of 68, and an average attendance of 50.

Confirmation school was held climaxing with Confirmation on Palm Sunday with a group of 13 young people being received into the church by this rite. Five adults have also been confirmed after receiving instruction in our Christian doctrine. In the fall of 1940, we began the two-year course of Confirmation instruction with those pupils who are to finish in the spring of 1942. This arrangement has been long recommended by our Synod and we are now falling in line with the plan. In a year or two, you will see definite results from this arrangement. This means that a junior and senior school are and will be continued simultaneously from year to year. We are grateful for the attitude of parents already shown toward this new set-up.

A teacher's training course was offered in the spring with a few working for credit. The subject in this course was "My Bible". In the fall we had the privelege to have the director of Christian Education in our Synod, the Reverend J. Vincent Morisen of Rock Island among us for one day. He held institutes throughout the Conference and gave Trinity alone one afternoon session when he explained to our teachers the "Word of Life" series. Teacher's training courses will be offered in our church from time to time in order to prepare our teachers and workers for the important task of instructing in the word of God.

The Christian Educational work of our parish has been directed by the Church School Board consisting of Dr. A. W. Hulberg, Mrs. Carl Nyland, Ann Borgman, Mrs. Paul H. Kraetch, E. Franklin Hedeen with the superintendent and the pastor as advisory members of this board.

CHURCH SOCIETIES

The church societies in a congregation are the hands and feet expressing thanksgiving to God in errands and deeds of love. These must always be agencies of the congregation, never congregations within the congregation. As the love of Christ constrains the member of the church he desires to express that constraining love in service manifested in one way or another. The church societies also offer opportunity of fellowship and sociability which are very vital in the Christian's make-up. Societies are the makers organized usually for the purpose of accommodating the various age groups in the parish. Trinity is blest with active groups for the purposes as mentioned above.

Two new organizations entered into the life of the congregation during the last year. The Fellowship Club was organized in the spring consisting of younger married folks within the congregation. It also includes younger married folks living in the city who have interest in the church as much as in some of the members of the club. In this way, the Fellowship Club becomes a real missionary agency. It is not organized for the purpose of gathering funds although it maintains a small treasury, every gathered by a stipulated small assessment. This last Christmas the Fellowship Club took in hand the decoration of our temple for the seasonal festivities.

The Junior Luther League was organized in September, consisting of the confirmed of the last four confirmation classes as well as other young people of the school age. It has adopted the constitution as prepared by the Augustana Synod Luther League Council. The major service of this League is to maintain interest in the congregation after confirmation and prepare the members for active work in the Senior Luther League when the members arrive at the proper age. Programs, Bible study, fellowship will be the main objectives as to the monthly meetings of this group.

Enumerating all our societies we find the following: Women's Missionary Society, Young Women's Missionary Society, Junior Missionary Society, Ladies' Aid, Daughters of Trinity, Fellowship Club, Lutheran Brotherhood, Senior Luther League and Junior Luther League. One could almost add another name to the list, namely, the Birthday prayers, meeting as these do each month.

We are exceedingly grateful for the harmony and the willingness to work which exists in Trinity's church organizations. All the groups are working satisfactorily for purposes of the highest order. The welfare of Trinity Church seems to be uppermost in the minds of all these organizations. The congregation expresses to them all sincere appreciation for active service, for good will, for harmony in endeavors. However, we will not be taken to task if we express a special commendation to the Ladies Aid Society, which necessarily shoulders heavy responsibility in matters of finance for our church. This society has completed payment on the church carpets costing several hundred dollars. By June they will have finished payment on the big note that was assumed a few years ago. New stoves have been installed in the church and parsonage kitchens. Under their sponsorship, the $150 interest due last February on the Church Extension note was paid. The ladies also assisted with paying for kitchen paint in the church and spraying the parsonage basement. How long the Ladies Aid will continue to serve the Kiwanis Club remains to be seen. We know they hope for the time when this heavier chore, persistent with its regularity, will cease.

To officers and members of all mentioned societies, do we again say, "thank you" for service well done--services big and small. You are serving the Lord Jesus Christ through his church. Weary not in well-doing. God still lives and as he lives, he loves and inspires to love.

FINANCES

The printed reports from our various stewards of finance indicate contributions during 1940. These reports speak their own language. The financial secretary, Mr. Emil Rasmus, and the current treasurer, Mr. Conrad H. Grimstad, have given us the statment that incomes during 1940 were better than in 1939. We appreciate the loyalty of our members. Accounts have been paid and only small hold-over statements have not been met, although our treasury could have paid these items with the balance on hand January first. Our Conference-Synod and Pension fund allocations will be met in full by February first next. The Conference books do not close until then. At the time of this writing, all the building fund accounts are paid with the exception of approximately $150. This does not include the old $3000 indebtedness due the Church Extension Fund of the Augustana Synod.

One thing do I again call to the attention of the congregation. Our Every-Member Canvass is not what it should be either in its carried-out effort or in the response of not a few of the members of the church. The Synod requires of the pastors to report definitely how many of its members make definite pledges for the new year. It does not show either good policy nor fair play that certain members refuse to make pledges. We will have to overcome this handicap sooner or later. Also, do I wish to call to the attention of the congregation that the contribution envelopes should be used regularly, systematically, punctually and always without fail when contributions are made. This will assist the financial secretary in giving due credit to contributions made. The dates are on the envelopes, the financial secretary has your number. Why not assist him by being methodical in this matter? Anyone of us who would undertake to handle the financial secretary's job for one single Sunday would know what we are speaking. Besides, our financial secretary has to do this after every Sunday in the year, and also without any remuneration.

We are grateful for those who have paid their building fund as well as pew and organ pledges. When all these pledges are paid in full, we will have a fair amount with which to pay off on the old Church Extension mortgage.

Last year we reported that Mrs. Johanna Larson had left in her will a bequest payable to Trinity Lutheran Church. The estate has now been closed and Trinity Lutheran Church received $7,061.87. Why God should direct matters so that this gift should come at this time, we do not know. Assuredly, Trinity thanks God for this gift and the assistance it gave in completing our sanctuary and clearing our accounts. May this gift as well as other large gifts received in the past prompt the members of today to a real thank-offering, given in the name of the Lord, and given to His church!

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, OFFICERS

There have been many servants serving the Lord in Trinity Church during 1940. To all these do we express our gratitude. The school Board, headed by Mr. A. W. Swanson, Miss Josephine N. Hill and Howard Backlund, has served as superb. Mrs. Henry Hill and Mrs. R. W. Kullberg has conducted the choir work. Mrs. R. W. Kullberg has new member, Mr. William Lees, have conducted the choir. Mrs. Thomas Olson has charge of the Mario Octette. had charge of the ladies Chorus. Mr. Thomas Olson has charge of the

Mr. Matt [illegible] has [illegible]. Mrs. E. Franklin Hedeen has [illegible] a part of the year.

As already mentioned before, Mrs. Johanna Amundsen and Miss Eleanor Iversen have superintended the Church-School work and Christian education in the parish.

Mr. Emil Rasmus has been faithful in his stewardship as financial secretary. Messrs. Conrad H. Grimstad, Clark Hedeen and Reamer [illegible] have been the treasurers of the church, benevolence and building funds respectively. Mr. [illegible] has served as bookkeeper and cashier. Mrs. Ruth Mitchell and Miss Gloria Pearson have assisted the pastor with stenographic work.

Then we must add to the above list the members of the board of administration, the building committee, the pastor's cabinet, the church-school board, the ushers and auditors, as well as all the officers of all the church societies. An imposing roster of men and women indeed it is who have served, through Trinity Church, their Lord and their Christ. Today, the congregation expresses its gratitude for this service, thanking God for faithfulness in stewardship.

At this meeting, the term of office for the following expires: Dr. R. W. [illegible], A. J. [illegible] and William [illegible]. Also, at this meeting, the term of office for the following trustees expires: Perry F. Mitchell, Paul [illegible] and [illegible]. Three deacons and three trustees are therefore to be elected each for three years. May God direct the congregation to make wise selection of leaders for His church.

EVENTS OF INTEREST DURING THE YEAR

The following are some of the special events that should be entered into the record of history for 1940:

March 17: Palm Sunday, Confirmation Day.
April 12: Pacific University Choir Concert.
April 22-28: Columbia Conference convention in Trinity Church.
April 28: Dedication of the new church altar.
May 3: Pacific Lutheran Choir Concert.
September 12: Visit by Pastor J. Vincent Nordgren, director of Christian Education of the Augustana Synod.
September 23: Silver wedding anniversary celebration for Pastor and Mrs. Kempe by the congregation.
Month of November: Loyalty month observations.
November 6: Portland District meeting with Pastors Carl S. Odell and J. A. Martin, speakers.
December 22: Public confirmation of adults.

MISCELLANEOUS

A number of our young people, particularly young men, are away from home in government service. We bespeak for them God's protection and guidance. Trinity desires to serve them, even if by remote control.

The Unified Treasury System was inaugurated at the beginning of the year 1940. It has not been developed to a smooth operating scheme as yet--but it will. We hope soon to see the day when all the treasuries of the church will bank through the common cashier.

In the completion of our church building, we are grateful for the pain job on the outside and the improvements made upon the heating plant within. Our church now could almost be slogan-ed "the beautiful white church in beautiful Astoria".

Home Mission work by way of Sunday-school efforts will be launched by Trinity in some of the outlying sections of Astoria's suburbs.

The Lutheran Brotherhood is installing lavatory facilities on the first floor of the parsonage.

Floral decorations have been sponsored by the Ladies Aid Society and the Daughters of Trinity during the year.

The choir has served faithfully in enhancing our public worship with music of high order.

Shortly after this annual meeting of the congregation, our first congregation directory will be published. The names and addresses of all our communicant members will be printed in this [illegible].

We trust that the congregation will allow us before the end of this year to commence an in-gathering toward the liquidation of the Church Extension Fund mortgage.

It has been suggested that the congregation, through its board, appoint a treasurer to receive voluntary gifts toward the eventual brickiing of the [illegible]. Our ambition will be that after a few years we may make this completion of the outside contour of the building.

It would also be a [illegible] if a certain percentage of our current income could be set aside as a sinking fund for future needs.

At this meeting of the congregation we will take the second vote on the adoption of the new congregational constitution.

The Columbia Conference has declared that the Emanuel Charity Board in Portland, which operates our Emanuel Hospital, shall be elected from all the congregations of the Portland district. At present Trinity would be represented on this Board by four communicant members. The set-up will be more fully explained before action is taken by the congregation.

STATISTICS

Baptisms: 16 children; 1 adult.
Confirmed: 13 children; 5 adults.
Marriages: 16 couples.
Communicants received by letter and confession: 25.
Children received with their parents: 2.
Dismissal: 8 communicants; 2 children.
Funerals of communicants: 5.
Funerals of children members: 1.
Funerals of non-members: 30.

Membership January 1, 1941: 340 communicants; 86 children.

Additional attendance statistics besides those already given in this report:

Week-day programs, services and concerts: Total attendance 3134; average 142.
Birthday socials: 11. Total attendance 763; average 69.

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of Trinity congregation have gone to their eternal reward during the past year:

Mrs. Mathilda C. Hoyer. Passed away January 30, 1940, at the age of 78 years, 10 months and 16 days.

Mrs. Anna Sofia Johnson. Passed away August 7, 1940, at the age of 61 years, 5 months and 21 days.

Axel Finney. Passed away September 17, 1940, at the age of 71 years, 7 months and 15 days.

Capt. Charles A. Larson. Passed away October 12, 1940, at the age of 71 years, 7 months and 16 days.

John M. Bolstead. Passed away October 25, 1940, at the age of 53 years, 3 months and 10 days.

Baby Kay Marie Sjoblom. Passed away November 18, 1940, at the age of 1 month and 5 days.

May peace abide with the spirit of each one of these departed members! May the Lord comfort the bereaved!

Many of our members have lost dear ones who were not affiliated with Trinity. To these also do we express sincere sympathy and give the prayer: "Jesus Christ comfort the sorrowing!"

As we gather for this annual meeting, may the Lord direct us by His spirit and may His love be found in our hearts. "Be still, and know that I am God". Yes, Lord, we hear Thy voice, speak and Thy servants shall hear.

Yours in Christ,

J. Walton Kempe

Astoria, Oregon
January 15, 1941

The following financial summaries were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:	
Weekly envelopes	$2068.13
Loose Offering	329.07
Ladies Aid	360.00
Tax Rebate	205.25
Kindergarten [illegible]	25.00
Initial [illegible]	.60
Insurance [illegible]	6.76
Offering for [illegible]	15.41
Quilt club [illegible]	[illegible]
Washer [illegible]	[illegible]
Christmas offering	[illegible]
Concert	[illegible]
Conference [illegible]	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

To Benevelent Treasurer:	
Weekly envelopes	$ 501.41
Loose offering	118.46
Lutheran World Action	53.75
Offering, District Meeting	10.40
Thanksgiving offering	61.61
Christmas offering	59.60
Easter Boxes	45.38
Red Cross	14.60
	$ [illegible]

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance 1-1-40	$ 38.09
Loan	500.00
Loan	200.00
From financial secretary	3304.85
Total	$ 4042.94

Disbursements:		
Pastor's salary	$ 2000.00	
Organist's " (1939)	30.00	
" " (1940)	100.00	
Custodian's salary	356.00	
Payments and interest on notes	310.20	
Light, fuel, water, power	306.48	
Taxes ('35 to '40 incl.)	353.94	
Insurance	30.80	
Bulletin supplies	61.29	
Bibles, confirmation supplies	39.59	
Baptismal supplies	4.90	
Music, hymnals	5.75	
Communion supplies	7.85	
Repairs, parsonage and church	135.42	
Duplex envelopes	3.25	
Miscellaneous	61.93	
Choir Director	71.06	3878.46
Balance Jan. 1, 1941		164.48
Grand Total		$ 4042.94

BENEVOLENT TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance brot. forward	$ 4.77
Total Sunday offerings	554.67
Easter	82.95
Extension	26.30
Red Cross	14.60
Lutheran World Action	53.75
Thanksgiving	75.67
Christmas	57.60
Total	$ 870.31

Disbursements:	
Balance 1939 Conference Dues	37.00
American Bible Society	10.00
Pension Fund	104.50
Extension Fund	24.20
Postage and Miscellaneous	2.10
Red Cross	14.60
Paid on 1940 Conference Dues	575.00
Lutheran World Action	53.75
District Fare Fund	15.00
Synod Tract Fund	5.00
Total	$ 861.15
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1941	9.16
Grand Total	$ 870.31

CHURCH SCHOOL

Receipts:	
Balance, Jan. 1, 1940	$ 62.32
Offerings	276.29
Easter Offering	67.36
Vacation Bible School	21.81
Robe Rental	4.00
Daughters of Trinity	5.00
Book Purchased, A.J. Hemingson	1.00
Christmas Offering	24.53
Error in records	2.03
Total	$ 464.34

Disbursements:	
Supplies	$ 385.17
Bus Service	7.00
Confirmation Robes	33.39
Sand Table	5.00
Filing Cabinet	18.69
Synod Christ. Education Comm.	4.00
Junior Mission Society	3.68
Total	$ 456.93
Balance, January 1, 1941	7.41
Grand Total	$ 464.34

LADIES AID

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1940	$ 382.91
Kiwanis Luncheons	2077.55
Betty Brights & Donations	99.33
Smorgasbord and Dinners	826.13
Total	$ 3385.92

Disbursements:	
To Building Committee	$ 840.00
To Current Fund	360.00
Interest, Church Ext. Fund	150.00
Merchandise	1694.80
Total	$ 3044.80
Balance, January 1, 1941	341.80
Grand Total	$ 3385.92

Besides the above offering received at the meetings in the amount of $164.28 have been deposited in Savings Account.

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:	
Balance January 1, 1940	$ 51.25
Offerings	43.07
Dime-a-holiday plates	22.50
25¢ shower	6.50
Total	$ [illegible]

Disbursements:	
Nursery Room	$ 58.40
Flowers	1.50
Confirmation Robes	5.00
Tax Deficit	5.00
Red Cross	2.50
Gift	2.60
Repair Flower baskets	1.50
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1941	[illegible]
Grand Total	[illegible]

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Offerings and Dues	$ 44.04	Flowers and Basketball dues	$ 3.40
Dinner	56.60	Printing	7.58
		Tax Deficit	5.00
		Dinner expense	26.71
Total	$ 100.64	Total	$ 42.69
		Balance, January 1, 1941	57.95
		Grand Total	$ 100.64

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Dues	$ 23.45	Church Paper Subscriptions	$ 3.00
		Miscellaneous	1.11
Total	$ 23.45	Total	$ 4.11
		Balance, January 1, 1941	19.34
		Grand Total	$ 23.45

SENIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1940	$ 107.31	For Organ Grills	$ 102.22
Christmas cards	3.00	Fellowship Offering	4.65
Candy sale	4.40	District, Conf. & Synod Dues	22.50
Fellowship Service	4.65	Flowers	3.00
Offerings	26.39	Supplies	7.01
Total	$ 145.75	Total	$ 139.38
		Balance, January 1, 1941	6.37
		Grand Total	$ 145.75

JUNIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:			
Offerings	$ 3.65	Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 3.65

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Dues, Offerings, etc.	$ 155.22	Dues, assessments, offerings, etc.	$ 155.22

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1940	$ 4.04	Miscellaneous	$ 4.85
Dues, offerings, etc.	58.80	Dues, Assessments, Offerings	57.99
Total	$ 62.84	Total	$ 62.84

JUNIOR MISSION SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Offerings in Church School	$ 27.72	Dues, Assessments, Offerings	$ 27.00
		Balance, January 1, 1941	.72
		Grand Total	27.72

BUILDING FUND

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1940	$ 6.29	Ladies Aid note	$ 833.40
Ladies Aid	840.00	Bank note and interest	181.43
Larson Estate	2175.00	Altar	738.00
Chas. Swanson	35.00	Organ	1304.71
Birthday socials	28.13	Miscellaneous	4.01
Miscellaneous	[illegible]	Total	$ 3061.55
		Balance, January 1, 1941	86.82
Total	$ 3148.37	Grand Total	$ 3148.37

ORGAN AND PEW FUND

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Donations	$ 1233.41	Notes and Interest	$ 4053.36
Larson Estate	4886.87	Grills	268.00
		Oil Burner	536.00
Total	$ 6120.28	Labor and Material	735.16
		Total	$ 6092.52
		Balance on hand, 1-1-41	27.76
		Grand total	$ 6120.28

INVENTORY

Assets, January 1, 1941:		Liabilities:	
Church building	$ 26,000.00	Loan from Augustana Church Extension Fund	$ 3000.00
Church organ	3,000.00	Accrued interest on same	600.00
Church pews	3,200.00	Notes in local banks:	
Alter and other furniture	[illegible]	First National Bank	347.05
Kitchen equipment	500.00	U. S. National Bank	550.00
Parsonage	3,000.00		
Total	$ 37,700.00	Total	$ 4497.05

Net value - $ 33,202.95
Submitted by Herman Slotte, representing the
Board of Trustees

AUDITORS REPORT

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Committee Treasurer, Church-School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies' Treasurers of the congregation, as summarized above, and believe the same to be correct. Reconciliations have had to be made in some reports but these have been minor details.

(Signed) Edwin Westersund
Ruth Mitchell
Edith Elliott

The pastor's report was read and accepted. Financial reports were distributed to voting members present. A motion made by J. F. Christians and seconded by Captain F. S. Elfving that the above reports be accepted. Carried.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was elected secretary for the ensuing year.

The following tellers were appointed to serve in the election of officers: Edythe Anderson, Mrs. Esther Baker, Nels Rasmussen and Elmer Blomquist. Motion prevailed that the nominations presented by the pastor's cabinet be accepted.

A motion was made by C. O. Moberg that the nominees receiving second highest votes for Conference and District delegates be named as alternates.

The following were elected deacons for a term of three years: H. A. Balensifer, E. P. Pearson and Chas. M. Soderberg.

The following were elected trustees for a term of three years: E. C. Elliott, Warner Moyer and Edwin Westersund.

William Wisbeck was elected deacon for a term of one year.

Mrs. Bernard Amundsen was unanimously elected Superintendent of the Church School.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was elected delegate to the annual Conference meeting, with Emil Rasmus as alternate.

Perry K. Mitchell was elected delegate to the annual District Convention with C. O. Moberg as alternate.

The following were elected auditors: A. J. Hemingson, Josephine Hill and Mrs. Ruth Mitchell.

The following were elected chief ushers for 1941: Clark Hedeen, A. J. Hemingson, Dr. R. W. Kullberg, Perry K. Mitchell, Nels Rasmussen Jr., and William Seeborg.

Miss [illegible] was elected organist and Mrs. E. F. Hedeen, custodian.

The required second vote on the new Constitution, proposed by the Synod in 1939, was received.

Motion was made and carried that the Board of Administration approve the minutes.

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE PASTOR'S CABINET

The following resolutions were recommended by the Pastor's Cabinet and adopted by the Congregation:

1. [illegible]

2. That we express our sincere gratitude to our Pastor. May we as a congregation be one with our Pastor in the building of God's Kingdom among us.

3. That we as a congregation humbly seek God through earnest prayer, that peace may reign and that war may cease.

4. To all officers and organizations a deep spiritual and thank you, as well as to all others who have worked with untiring zeal and cooperation. That we express special appreciation for the continued, untiring work of the Ladies Aid and note with satisfaction the several accomplished tasks consummated by this society.

5. That we thank God with deepest sincerity for the gift received from the Larson Estate. May we ever be mindful of the inspiration this has given us to better and more earnestly serve the Lord in Trinity.

6. That Christian education be encouraged to the greatest possible extent, realizing that upon it rests the future of our church. For this reason also, we resolve that Vacation Bible School be conducted again this year.

7. That our sympathy and comfort be extended to those who during the past year have lost dear ones.

8. That the congregation adopt the new congregational constitution.

9. That the current and benevolent budgets as presented by the Pastor's Cabinet be adopted by the Congregation.

10. That we deplore the presence of drinking, gambling and other vice in our community and therefore encourage the church members to become examples in Christian living.

11. That we urge our members not only to make pledges but also to pay regularly their dues from Sunday to Sunday, making use of the envelope system.

12. That we are grateful for the increase in membership but urge all of our members to become missionary minded in upbuilding the membership of our church.

13. That we recommend that the congregation vote on the proposal for the stewardship of Emanuel Hospital in Portland.

Resolutions Committee of the Pastor's Cabinet

Mrs. Johanna Amundsen
Mrs. C. O. Moberg
Dr. R. W. Kullberg

The following resolution, mentioned above in the resolutions of the pastor's cabinet, was presented:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Trinity Lutheran Congregation of the City of Astoria, State of Oregon, for itself and jointly with other congregations of the Portland District accept the responsibility of operating the Emanuel Hospital through its duly elected representatives as delegate members constituting the Emanuel Charity Board, that this congregation does not assume any financial responsibility or obligation on account of the Emanuel Charity Board, and that the Emanuel Charity Board does not assume any financial responsibility or obligation to or on account of this congregation on account hereof.

It was moved by Paul Kempe and seconded by Dr. R. W. Kullberg that the above resolution be accepted. Motion carried. NOTE: The Board, at its next regular meeting, elected Dr. R. W. Kullberg and Mr. C. O. Moberg to serve as members of the Emanuel Charity Board for 3 years, Emil Rasmus for 2 years and Pastor J. W. Kempe for 1 year.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

The session closed with the singing of the doxology and prayer and the benediction by the pastor.

R. W. Kullberg
Secretary

These minutes were approved by the Joint Board Oct. 6th 1941

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President

Minutes of the Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 14, 1942
8:00 P.M.

The meeting opened with the singing of hymn 178, verses 1 and 2 in the Junior Hymnal. Pastor Kempe read I Col. 3, verses 15 to 17 and offered prayer, after which the fourth verse of hymn 178 was sung by the congregation.

There were 41 voting members present.

The Pastor declared [illegible] of the Holy Spirit. [illegible] his annual address, which was as follows:

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation
Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace Be With You.

"What is man that Thou art mindful of him? Ps. 8:4.
"The Lord hath been mindful of us; He will bless us;
He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the
house of Aaron." Ps. 115:12.

That God is mindful of His people goes without saying. All through the years God's people have been abundantly blessed in spite of all the variations in life's experiences that man has encountered. We need fear nothing in the present perplexing and disturbed days as long as we remain the people of God. He will not make burdens, anxieties, troubles less, but He will give increase in faith and endurance so that these cares can be surmounted.

In Trinity, God has not only been mindful of us but He has multiplied the blessings during 1941 to the extent that we may say it has been one of the best years in our history. This is true in spite of the fact that 1941 will stay in the memory of most of us as a very trying year, externally. Who can forget the mental anguish we have had as we have seen the nightmare of war and upset social and economic conditions creep upon us until the horrible thing of war with its fear inspirations finally engulfing us. And yet God gives the heart and mind the necessary fortifications for the mental and heart-searching struggles. He does bless His Israel; He does bless His Aaron. Our hands are and will be upheld for God is yet mindful of His own.

1941 is now history. Trinity's 1941 is also enwrapped in the same history. And we gather here tonight to reflect upon the past and resolve to take hold a little harder in the tasks ahead. He gathers pleading pardon for known and unknown failures; we gather conscious that a loving Saviour does pardon and will give grace to let us continue the great work of His Church among us.

THE MEANS OF GRACE

These are still in our possession. We have tried to preach the Word and declare its power as faithfully and regularly as possible. For 52 Sundays preaching services were conducted with 52 morning services and 49 evening hours. Church School was open on all the 52 Sundays with a fine staff of teachers and officers serving as faculty. A Vacation Bible School was again conducted with a smaller enrollment due to the fact that there were several other such schools conducted in Astoria at the same time. [illegible] many of the non-Lutheran [illegible] other schools, thus reducing our number. We are grateful for every such school for the more schools held the farther out will the Christian Gospel reach.

Confirmation instruction has been carried for Juniors, Seniors and adults and our statistical chart indicated the outward results. The seed is being sown. God gives the increase.

We must not under-value the reading of the Word and the brief meditations on the Word at our various social assemblies. The Word is powerful there, also, let us not forget.

[illegible] the sacraments we have [illegible] number the usual more [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible]. The Lord's Supper was celebrated only five times [illegible] the same as the previous year. We [illegible] the number of [illegible] adding to this blessed Sacrament with [illegible] the array of other [illegible] [illegible] present for the first time in prayer. The Lord is calling. Many are responding.

CHURCH SOCIETIES

The [illegible] this session indicate the wide latitude program of our [illegible] is carrying on. Each society has a different objective. These objectives are carried, one by one, as the various groups strive on in the Lord's power [illegible] expresses its gratitude to all these loyal servants for [illegible] and good. The pastor is happy over the cooperation that all [illegible] our activities [illegible] in [illegible].

FINANCES

Not very much need be said about our finances. [illegible] At the end of 1941 all current and [illegible] that every member is [illegible]. [illegible] our members are not [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] This fund will prove to be a reserve for any future unforeseen eventuality. Let it be called a [illegible]. We solicit your favors in giving smaller or larger gifts to this fund so that it may grow large for future service. Our cashier, Mrs. Hedeen, has charge of this money.

Another matter which we should mention is that we have hopes of soon being out of debt as a congregation. Happy will that day be. We are working toward that end, now while the employment situation is not running in reverse.

[illegible]

These have worked faithfully in the church's interest: the organists, Miss Ethel Wicks and Miss Josephine N. Hill; Wm. Lees and J. Robert Cochran, choir directors; Mrs. Clark Hedeen, cashier; Emil Rasmus, financial secretary; C. H. Grimstad and E. R. Pearson, treasurers; Ragnor Hoyer, Building Fund treasurer; Mrs. Perry Mitchell, typist; Mrs. Bernard Amundsen, Church-School superintendent, and Mrs. E. F. Hedeen, custodian.

Then there were several who assisted with the services during the pastor's absence last summer and to these do we express our gratitude.

The Boards have attended to business and have directed the affairs of the church. To them do we say, "Thank you".

The following deacons have now served their term and three are to be elected for three years to succeed them: John F. Christians, Clark Hedeen, William Wisbeck. Mr. Balensifer has removed from the city and one deacon is to be elected to complete his term. The following trustees must now relinquish their offices and three are to be elected for three years to succeed them: Herman and John Slotte and Victor Jackson. Thanks to you Administration men for services given Trinity. We know your interest for Trinity will not cease as you step out of the official family.

IMPROVEMENTS AND PROGRESS

The Ladies Aid has installed an oil burner in the parsonage heating plant. This society has also purchased new dishes and made other improvements in the church kitchen.

The Brotherhood installed a lavatory on the first floor of the parsonage.

The Daughters of Trinity purchased the first set of Vestments for our church altar.

The Fellowship Club makes it a practice to give to each couple whom the pastor marries a Daily Devotional book. This gift is much appreciated by the newly-weds in and out of the church.

A Council of Spiritual Defense has been appointed to keep up contact with our youths in military service. This council has already commenced to function.

[illegible]

May we pray earnestly that the war in which we find ourselves now may soon end with [illegible] peace restored.

[illegible]titude is expressed to Ladies Aid and Daughters of Trinity for church decorations [illegible] day to Sunday.

[illegible]titude is also given the Fellowship Club for beautiful Christmas decorations in our [illegible].

[illegible]titude is expressed to our choir and men's octette for enhancing our worship with beautiful song.

IN MEMORIAM

[illegible] members of Trinity congregation have gone to their eternal reward during the past year:

[illegible] passed away March 20, 1941. Age 67 3 25

[illegible] away September 17, 1941. Age 72 5 13

[illegible] away October 23, 1941. Age 57 1 12

[illegible]

[illegible], [illegible] been a member in Trinity but at her demise belonged to the [illegible]on congregation, but made her home in our city. Mrs. Julia J. [illegible] passed away December 12, 1941. Age 82 1 23.

May peace abide with the spirit of each of these departed souls. May the Lord comfort the bereaved!

Many of our members have lost dear ones, near and far. All these have our sympathy.

STATISTICS

Grand total morning attendance, 6321 or an average of 121 per Sunday.
Grand total evening attendance, 3277 or an average of 67 per Sunday.
Grand total school attendance, 4010 or an average of 77 per Sunday.
Five celebrations of the Lord's supper with an average of 119 at each.
Thirty-sic funerals with an average of 59 at each.
Forty-eight enrolled in Vacation Bible School with an average of 39 per day.

Baptisms: 22 children and 3 adults.
Confirmed: 12 children and 4 adults.
Marriages: 27 couples.
Communicants received by letter and confession: 27.
Children received with their parents: 4.
Dismissed and transferred: 6 communicants and 2 children.
Funerals of communicants: 4.
Funerals of non-members: 32.
Week-day services and programs, total attendance 1491, average 94.
Birthday socials, 7: total attendance 606, average for each 86.

Communicant membership, January 1, 1942: 373, or a gain of 33.
Children members, January 1, 1942: 106, or a gain of 20.

May we now commit ourselves to Him who is mindful of us. May His Name be glorified in Trinity. May we be found faithful to Him that He may bless us.

Yours in Jesus' Name,

J. Walton Kempe

Astoria, Oregon
January 14, 1942

The following financial summaries were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:	
Envelopes	$2632.30
Loose Offerings	326.51
Ladies Aid	360.00
Initial Offerings	19.59
Christmas Offering	126.38
Special Offering	12.31
[illegible] Holdings	22.00
Music Fund Offerings	19.36
[illegible] Club	2.00
[illegible]	11.00
Easter Boxes	61.69
[illegible]	2.50
Total	$3595.64

To Belevolence Treasurer:	
Envelopes	$ 620.76
Loose Offering	138.77
Easter Boxes	61.69
Thanksgiving Offering	50.71
Nyland party	47.35
Pentecost Offering	48.45
Home for the Aged	5.17
Total	$ 972.90

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 164.48
[illegible]	3595.64
Total	$3760.12

Disbursements:	
Pastor's Salary	$2000.00
Organist	100.00
Custodian	307.00
Light, Power, Water, Fuel	313.29
Taxes	[illegible]
Insurance	92.08
Bulletin Supp. and Typewriter	108.10
Confirmation Supplies	36.14
Baptismal Supplies	[illegible]
Music and Hymnals	[illegible]
Communion Supplies	[illegible]
Duplex Envelopes	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1942	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]

BENEVOLENCE TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 9.16
From Financial Secretary	972.91
Soldiers Service Fund	61.50
Magney Service, Foreign Miss.	23.44
Total	$1067.01

Disbursements:	
Special Synod Fare	$ 15.50
Balance 1940 Conference Budget	10.00
Custodian Honorarium	47.35
Flowers	1.00
China Relief Fund	10.00
Easter Supplies	4.13
Compass Mission Offering	40.00
Pentecost Offering to Synod	48.45
Soldiers Service Fund	61.50
Thanksgiving Postage	2.43
American Bible Society	5.00
Synod Tract Fund	5.00
Home for the Aged	5.17
Magney Foreign Miss. Offering	23.44
Pension Fund Assessments	142.25
Conference Budget 1941	625.00
Total	$1046.22
Balance, January 1, 1942	20.79
Grand Total	$1067.01

BUILDING FUND

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 86.82
Ladies Aid	493.25
Birthday Socials	86.09
Miscellaneous	111.60
Total	$ 777.76

Disbursements:	
Notes at the Banks	$ 497.05
Paint Spraying Co.	90.49
Miscellaneous	140.00
Total	$ 727.54
Balance, January 1, 1942	50.22
Grand Total	$ 777.76

CHURCH SCHOOL

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 7.41
Offerings (Sundays)	240.23
Easter Offering	89.41
Vacation Bible School	15.24
Initial Offering	5.41
Robe Rent	5.00
Christmas Offering	17.25
Total	$ 379.95

Disbursements:	
Supplies - Literature	$ 245.05
Clock	2.63
Three Tables	15.00
Bethphage Mission	5.00
Home Missions	10.00
Foreign Missions	10.00
Flowers	1.50
Piano Tuning	5.00
Picnic	3.60
Wire for Wreaths	2.00
Miscellaneous	14.25
Total	$ 314.03
Balance, January 1, 1942	65.92
Grand Total	$ 379.95

LADIES AID

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 341.12
Kiwanis Luncheons	1590.02
Smorgasbord and Sale	471.05
From Savings Account	318.25
Merchandise Sold	29.00
Dinners and Donations	310.46
Miscellaneous	112.31
Total	$3172.21

Disbursements:	
To Church Treasurer	$ 360.00
Building Fund	493.25
Church Extension Interest	105.00
Parsonage Furnace	340.00
Dishes & Kitchen Improvement	287.03
Merchandise	1186.57
Total	$2771.85
Balance, January 1, 1942	400.36
Grand Total	$3172.21

On Deposit in Savings $ 162.11

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 46.32
Offerings	36.91
Linen Shower	6.76
Silver Tea	29.08
Total	$ 119.07

Disbursements:	
Umbrella Stand	$ 10.10
Altar Fair Linen	46.75
Miscellaneous	4.17
Total	$ 61.[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1942	58.05
Grand Total	$ 119.07

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	[illegible]
Offerings and Supper	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

Disbursements:	
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1942	[illegible]
Grand Total	[illegible]

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 19.34	Swimming Pool Fund	$ 10.00
Membership Dues	41.75	Devotional Books and Paper Subscriptions	17.63
Total	$ 61.09	Miscellaneous	5.50
		Total	$ 33.13
		Balance, January 1, 1942	27.96
		Grand Total	$ 61.09

SENIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 6.37	Dues, Conference and Synod	$ 14.25
Collections, etc.	20.58	Fellowship Offering	8.28
Church Paper Commission	4.60	Miscellaneous	21.44
		Total	$ 43.97
Total	$ 45.05	Balance, January 1, 1942	1.08
		Grand Total	$ 45.05

JUNIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ 3.65	Banquet Expense	$ 2.50
Collections	9.94	Total	$ 2.50
		Balance, January 1, 1942	11.09
Total	$ 13.59	Grand Total	$ 13.59

COUNCIL, SPIRITUAL DEFENSE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
		Soldiers' Christmas Treat	$ 18.90
Offerings	$ 23.73	Balance, January 1, 1942	4.83
		Grand Total	$ 23.73

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
		Dues, Assessments, etc.	$ 168.97
Dues, Offerings, etc.	$ 173.60	Balance, January 1, 1942	4.63
		Grand Total	$ 173.60

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
		Dues, Assessments, etc.	$ 55.01
Dues, Offerings, etc.	$ 55.74	Balance, January 1, 1942	.73
		Grand Total	$ 55.74

JUNIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1941	$ .72	Dues, Assessments, etc.	$ 29.25
Offerings	28.53		
Total	$ 29.25		

SINKING FUND

Received from unnamed donor $ 150.00

AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolence Treasurers, Building Fund Treasurer, Church-School Treasurer and the respective Church Society Treasurers in the congregation, as summarized above, and believe the same to be correct. Reconciliations have been made in some reports but these have been minor details.

(Signed) Josephine N. Hill
Ruth Mitchell
Anna Mackey

The pastor's report was read and accepted. Financial reports were distributed to voting members present. A motion was made and seconded that all printed reports be accepted. Carried.

No inventory was available for presentation, but this will be published later.

A motion was made and carried that [illegible] of the Pastor's [illegible] be accepted.

A motion was made and carried that Rev. [illegible] be [illegible] Superintendent of the Church School.

Motion was made and carried that Miss Josephine Hill be unanimously elected organist for the ensuing year.

Motion was made and carried that Mrs. E. F. Hedeen be unanimously elected church custodian.

Motion was made and carried that all ushers listed on the ballot be unanimously elected.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was elected secretary for the coming year.

Christina Rasmussen and Josephine Hill served as tellers for the election of officers.

Motion was made and carried that the persons receiving second hi[illegible] and District Delegates [illegible].

Motion was made and carried that the pastor's salary be increased $200 for the coming year.

Motion was made and carried that the joint board read and approve the minutes of the annual meeting.

The following were elected deacons for a term of three years: Gunnar Johanson, Dr. R. W. Kullberg and Axel Backlund.

Paul Kraetch was elected decon for a term of two years.

The following were elected trustees for a term of three years: Perry Mitchell, Roy Ingbretson and William Johanson.

Rev. J. Walton Kempe was elected to represent Trinity on the Emanuel Charity Board.

Nels J. Rasmussen, Sr. was elected delegate to the Conference with Emil Rasmus as alternate.

Edwin Westersund was elected delegate to the District with Axel Backlund as alternate.

The following were elected auditors: Josephine Hill, Mrs. Perry Mitchell and Anna [illegible].

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were recommended by the Pastor's Cabinet and adopted by the Congregation:

1. That we the members of the Trinity Lutheran Congregation express our thanks to God for the blessing and favors bestowed upon us during the year 1941 and that we pray that all future blessings be received also with thankful hearts.

2. That during this present strife between the many nations we may accept the guidance of our Lord.

3. That the work of the church be conducted with even a greater spirit of loyalty.

4. That we show our appreciation to the Church School and Vacation Bible School workers by [illegible] congregation.

5. That our gratitude be expressed to every society of our church and to the officers of each respective organization.

6. That we [illegible] the Lutheran brotherhood for the installation of [illegible] in the [illegible]; and the [illegible] of Trinity for the new Fair Linen on our altar.

7. That by our conduct toward our Church we show our esteen for our Pastor.

8. That for the duties performed by the deacons and trustees whose term of office now expires now we say, "Thank you".

9. That we express special appreciation to the organist, choir director, custodian, financial secretary, church cashier, and church treasurers for their efficient conduction of service and their untiring efforts.

10. That we be thankful that a Sinking Fund has been started with the initial sum of $100.00. We thank the unnamed donor and urge our members to make contributions to this Fund from time to time.

11. That we [illegible] fact that we concluded the year with all current and [illegible] bills. In humbleness we praise the Lord for the privilege of giving.

12. That [illegible] find comfort in Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very [illegible] help in [illegible]".

1[illegible]. That we see God's Grace in a substantial increase in Trinity's membership.

1[illegible]. That we put forth our efforts to curb all social evil in our community and help guide the youth in healthful living and stronger spiritual life.

1[illegible]. [illegible] ness in [illegible] school.

Elsie Y. Engbretson
Johanna Amundsen
E. R. Pearson

Motion was made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

The session closed with the singing of the doxology and prayer and the benediction by the pastor.

R. W. Kullberg
Secretary

These minutes were approved by the Joint Board 9-12-47

by G. Thanneson
Secretary of Board

Minutes of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 10, 1943
8:00 P.M.

The meeting opened with hymn singing and devotions conducted by the pastor, J. Walton Kempe.

There were 59 voting members present.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

The Pastor declared the meeting opened in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Pastor Kempe then read his annual report, which was as follows:

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation
Astoria, Oregon

Grace be multiplied unto you.

"Fear Not, Only Believe" - Luke 8:50.

This admonition was offered a prominent man, Jairus, ruler of the synagogue, when a great sorrow had come to him and he was much disturbed. It was the Lord of Life who gave the admonition--more than that He followed the command with action that removed the sorrow and restored the little daughter to life.

Most of us are possessed these days with a fierce fear. We fear because of the uncertainty of coming days; we fear that food will be scarce; we fear lest dear ones will see an untimely and cruel death; we fear lest we won't have enough of the earthly treasures to carry us to the end of our life's day.

Some there are who fear lest they have sinned and cannot be pardoned. Some have a fear that God no longer loves them--that He will fail to answer their heart petitions— that they will be forsaken. Fear, fear, and multiples of fear are the experiences of man.

We need have but one fear. That is the dread that we forsake God, His Means of Grace, His Church, and lose our souls. The earthly trappings will be ours provided we have sought the Kingdom of God and His righteousness--and in the measure that it be the Will of God.

Therefore would our Lord say to us, "Fear not, only believe". Believe that Jesus knows our anxieties; believe that He can say Talitha cumi, damsel, arise; believe that He is a worker of miracles, still; believe that He can quiet the restless sea, the raging nations, the disquieted consciences; believe that no sin is great but that He will take it away; believe that no grief is so grievous but that He will allay it.

Believe also that Jesus is the Head of His Church and that the Church will stand victorious mid all the wrecks of time. Believe that you have a place in that Church and that He will equip you for tasks to be done. Believe that some day you, a faithful member of the Church militant, will be a victorious member of the Church triumphant. "Fear not, only believe."

We meet today, a congregation under Christ, to look back upon 1942 and look forward into 1943. A year ago much fear possessed many of us as we thought through the months ahead. We wondered how badly the upset times would treat our congregation, physically, morally and spiritually. We also wondered how many, if any, of our men in military service would lose their lives in the war. Other worries confronted us, a congregation, real in nature but with God's help surmountable. We have had faith in the Lord Jesus Christ--and we still have that same victorious faith that does overcome the world. And as we now meet we would reflect in our inventory under the usual departments with the addition of our war-relationship.

THE MEANS OF GRACE

A full preaching program has been given throughout the year. Morning worship attendance has been reduced and reasons might be given for the poorer record. We fear that many members allow small inconveniences to stand in the way of regular church attendance. Our faithfulness is no doubt being tested. Evening attendance has been such that we wonder if it is worth while opening the church doors at an evening hour. The only time our people come out evenings is if some food is set before them. Jesus at one time complained that His people followed Him because He had fed them bread.

Special preaching services have been conducted viz., the Dr. Miller Bible Conference and the week-day Cottage services. In the latter, Mrs. [illegible] Lundeen, Mrs. Petra Lackey and Christina Rasmussen gave valued assistance. These services will continue as our schedule will allow.

The Church School and Vacation Bible School slumped some in attendance but we hope to bring about improvement for the new year. The Church School is offering transportation to pupils living in the west and east ends of the city so that there need be no hindrance to regular school attendance.

Confirmation instruction has been given Juniors, Seniors and Adults and through this medium new members have been added to the membership roll.

Meditations have been given at the society meetings upon parts of the blessed Scripture. It is a seed sown--may we not hinder the harvest.

There have been 26 Baptisms--22 children and 4 adults. Four of the children were members, 18 came by parents who are not members of the Church. This gives us a glimpse of the tremendous Home Mission field we have right here in Astoria. The field is ripe unto harvest.

The Lord's Supper has been presented to the congregation six times. Many are the souls who find comfort in this Sacrament.

FINANCES

The printed reports give evidence that we do not lack the means with which to carry on the Church's work. When the will is there the means usually come. Many thanks to all for fine cooperation in the matter of supporting the Kingdom in its various branches. We call to the attention of the church societies and others interested the request of our auditors as to our centralized finance system. When once the whole congregation is unified it will mean smoother operation and better credit at the bank. Study all the report carefully. Then you will better appreciate the magnitude of the influence that Trinity exerts.

THE SOCIETIES

We had aimed to give in a sentence the purpose for the existence of each of our societies but such sentences we wanted to come from the societies themselves and we have not received them all, nor in time, so therefore will we wait until later to give such descriptions. There is much work for each group to perform for our Saviour's great Kingdom, and we urge that real energy be spent for the good of the church and for the helpfulness of souls. Each society should emphasize the motives of Inspiration, Information and Fellowship. Inspiring and informing programs should be presented, studies of church problems made, opportunities for community and synod service grasped, and happy get-better-acquainted fellowships enjoyed. When there are new members joining the congregation or visitors at the church services each society should have committees on the look-out for these that they need not feel as strangers very long. Our societies can meet this need and I know they will try.

The congregation expresses its gratitude to each society for the various tasks performed during 1942. Fear not over the reward--the Lord does not forget.

CHURCH SERVANTS

We say a hearty "thank you" to Josephine N. Hill, organist; J. Robert Cochran, choir director; Mrs. Clark Hedeen, cashier; Mrs. Bernard Amundsen, Church School superintendent, and her faithful teaching staff; Mrs. Mervin Fausett, financial secretary; C. H. Grimstad, E. R. Pearson and Ragner Hoyer, treasurers; Mrs. Perry Mitchell, typist; Mrs. E. F. Hedeen, custodian. These have all served with much credit to themselves. Also do we register a vote of appreciation to the members of the choir and Junior Chorus for service given the church. To practice week after week is a schedule that requires faithfulness, and we like to see this faithfulness.

No, we did not forget him. I am sure some thought we had inadvertantly forgotten his name in the above list. No, Emil Rasmus has served Trinity from its beginning in 1929 as financial secretary. Last year he asked to be relieved. The congregation today recognized in a special way this servant's loyalty to duty and trust. His example may well be copied by many others who chafe when a periodic responsibility is asked of them. Thank you, Mr. Rasmus. Your work has not been in vain, neither for the church nor for your own credit.

COUNCIL OF SPIRITUAL DEFENSE

This committee has been on the alert through the year with service given our own men in army, navy and marines. This work will continue and will expand as time passes.

In this connection let me say that we are thinking, as a church, of our men in military service--thinking prayerfully and with believing hearts. May God bless and keep these, our own. Of the 33 in the service one has been reported missing, viz., Arnold Seeborg, in the Philippines. May he be alive in our prayers. The Lord comfort his near ones--as well as all others whose sons are in danger. May our boys soon come home and the war be over.

The pastor receives much soldier's mail and this he prizes highly. May all of us make it a point to write to at least one service man a week. These men appreciate to hear from home.

God grant us peace, soon!

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of Trinity passed away last year. All were charter members:

Mrs. Ida Marie [illegible]ling, passed away June 14, 1942. Age 71 years, 11 months, 1[illegible] days. Her funeral service was conducted by the Rev. J. A. Martin of Warren.

Albert Edward Engbretson, passed away September 28, 1942. Age 47 years, 2 months, 10 days.

Mrs. Elsie Verschueren, passed away November 4, 1942. Age 63 years, 10 months, 26 days.

Also Baby Verschueren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Verschueren, who died at birth November 1, 1942.

May peace abide with the spirit of each of these departed souls. May the Lord comfort the bereaved!

Many of our members have lost loved ones, near and far. All these have our sympathy.

STATISTICS

Six celebrations of the Lord's Supper.

Baptisms: 22 children and 4 adults.

Confirmed: 10 children and 10 adults.

Marriages: 27 couples.

Communicants received by letter and confession: 17.

Children received with their parents: 3.

Dismissed and transferred: 6 communicants and 1 child.

Funerals conducted: 34.

Communicant membership January 1, 1943: 401.
Children members January 1, 1943: 123.

May we all now lay our fears in Him who is our Lord. May He be allowed to increase our faith.

In Jesus' Name,

J. Walton Kempe

Astoria, Oregon
January 10, 1943

The following financial summaries were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:	
Envelopes	$2,868.88
Initial Offering	21.90
Loose offering	295.29
Ladies Aid	360.00
Music Fund Offering	80.93
Christmas Offering	67.15
Miscellaneous	29.60
Total	$3,723.75

To Benevolence Treasurer:	
Envelopes	$ 742.41
Loose Offering	51.48
Easter Offering	132.99
Lutheran World Action	169.70
Home Missions	88.68
Thanksgiving Offering	85.75
Lutheran Bible Institute	128.72
Christmas Offering	67.00
Miscellaneous	17.12
Total	$1,483.85

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 75.29	Pastor's Salary	$2,200.00
Bank Loan	200.00	Organist	120.00
From Financial Secretary	3,723.75	Choir Director	165.00
		Custodian	330.00
Total	$3,999.04	Light, Power, Fuel, Water	241.18
		Taxes	77.47
		Notes and Interest	253.16
		Music and Hymnals	17.17
		Insurance	104.70
		Confirmation Supplies	43.84
		Baptismal Supplies	4.50
		Bulletin Supplies	42.67
		Offering Envelopes (2 years)	43.10
		Repairs	19.96
		Janitor Supplies	1.70
		Miscellaneous	120.55
		Total	$3,785.00
		Balance, January 1, 1943	214.04
		Grand Total	$3,999.04

BENEVOLENCE TREASURER

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 20.79	Home Mission Offering	$ 38.00
From Financial Secretary	1,483.85	Conference and Synod Budget	775.00
Soldiers' Chorus Offering	50.00	Pension Assessments	166.25
		Lutheran World Action	169.70
Total	$1,554.64	Lutheran Bible Institute	128.47
		China Relief	50.00
		Foreign Mission, Special	16.62
		Special for Conference Fare Fund	37.30
		District Fare Fund	10.00
		Soldiers' Chorus Offering	50.00
		Bulletins and Express	2.50
		Lenten Collection Boxes	3.61
		Thanksgiving Postage	3.18
		Total	$1,500.63
		Balance, January 1, 1943	54.01
		Grand Total	$1,554.64

BUILDING FUND

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 50.22	Laundry	$ 5.40
On Old Pledges	40.00	Printing	3.50
Birthday Socials	91.06	Bank Charges	.20
		Total	$ 9.10
Total	$ 181.28	Balance, January 1, 1943	172.18
		Grand Total	$ 181.28

DEBT LIQUIDATION FUND

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Individuals and Societies	$1,531.00	Synod Church Extension	$1,455.00
		Balance, January 1, 1943	76.00
		Total	$1,531.00

CHURCH SCHOOL

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 65.92	Lutheran World Action	$ 15.00
Sunday Offerings	219.92	Home Missions	10.00
Easter Crosses	52.30	Seamen's Mission	5.00
Vacation Bible School	17.30	Augustana Book Concern	205.34
Christmas Offering	24.52	Methodist Book Concern	11.15
Initial Offering	5.41	Cash for Book	4.95
Books Sold	6.00	Trinity Debt Fund	50.00
Refund on Account	2.01	Bus Tickets for Pupils	12.50
		Postage	2.60
Total	$ 393.38	Vacation Bible School--Misc.	3.94
		Christmas Candy	3.15
		Total	$ 323.63
		Balance, January 1, 1943	69.75
		Grand Total	$ 393.38

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 58.05	Church Debt Fund	$ 50.00
Offerings	30.30	Flowers	2.50
Silver Tea	18.95	Miscellaneous	7.77
Elephant Sale	6.65	Total	$ 60.27
Total	$ 113.95	Balance, January 1, 1943	53.68
		Grand Total	$ 113.95

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 7.39	Church Debt Fund	$ 50.00
Membership Dues	17.00	Church Lawn Work	10.00
Salmon Dinner	78.13	Service Flag	7.50
Free Will Offerings	43.45	Dinner Expenses	17.03
Total	$ 145.97	To Church Treasurer	5.00
		Miscellaneous	8.63
		Total	$ 98.16
		Balance, January 1, 1943	47.81
		Grand Total	$ 145.97

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 27.96	Flowers	$ 4.80
Dues	41.50	Devotional Books	27.62
Total	$ 69.46	Lutheran Companion Subs.	4.80
		Lutheran World Action	10.00
		Petty Cash Fund	2.00
		Sports Equipment	5.35
		Tapiola Park Garbage Can	4.50
		Miscellaneous	.78
		Total	$ 59.85
		Balance, January 1, 1943	9.61
		Grand Total	$ 69.46

SENIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 1.08	District, Conf., Synod dues	$ 9.00
Meetings	18.95	Fellowship Offering	4.50
Bible Conference Offering	17.97	Bible Conference Expenses	14.00
Fellowship Offering	4.50	Church Debt Fund	25.00
Birthday Social Offering	26.53	Total	$ 52.50
Total	$ 69.03	Balance, January 1, 1943	16.53
		Grand Total	$ 69.03

LUTHER LEAGUE EDUCATIONAL FUND

Gift	$ 100.00
Memoriams - A. E. Engbretson	10.00
Total on hand, 1-1-43	$ 110.00

JUNIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 11.09	Choir Music Case	$ 22.00
Meetings	24.77	District, Conf., Synod dues	12.50
Church Paper Commissions	7.20	Miscellaneous	1.40
Total	$ 43.06	Total	$ 35.90
		Balance, January 1, 1943	7.16
		Grand Total	$ 43.06

COUNCIL, SPIRITUAL DEFENSE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 4.83	Service Men's Christmas Boxes	$ 40.79
October Offering	23.87	Balance, January 1, 1943	7.45
December Offering	19.54	Grand Total	$ 48.24
Total	$ 48.24		

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 4.63	Dues	$ 15.50
Dues	15.50	Sustaining Membership	.50
Sustaining Membership	.50	Home Missions	31.00
Boxes of Blessings	14.65	Anna Olson's Salary	33.00
Missionary Albums	7.15	Boxes of Blessings	14.65
Prayer Day Offerings	15.10	Jewish Missions	2.50
Miscellaneous Offerings	110.08	My Missionary for a Day	2.50
		Christmas Cheer	3.00
Total	$ 167.61	Administration Fund	3.10
		Literature Fund	1.00
		Printing of Conference Minutes	1.55
		Dime Books	5.00
		Miss Fenden	2.50
		Bethphage Mission	10.00
		Seamen's Mission	8.85
		Prayer Day Offering	15.10
		Flowers	2.50
		Missionary Albums	7.15
		Total	$ 159.40
		Balance, January 1, 1943	8.21
		Grand Total	$ 167.61

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ .73	Dues	$ 7.50
Collections	21.21	Administration Fund	1.50
Dues	7.50	Literature Fund	1.00
Annual	16.55	Anna Olson's Salary	10.00
Immanuel Deaconess Institute-Pictures	11.75	China Mission	10.00
Treasure Chests	14.68	Bethphage Mission	5.00
Lutheran Servicemen's Center	17.60	Immanuel Deaconess Institute	5.00
		Home Missions	8.00
Total	$ 90.02	My Missionary for a Day	7.50
		Treasure Chests	14.68
		Lutheran Servicemen's Center	17.60
		Total	$ 87.78
		Balance, January 1, 1943	2.24
		Grand Total	$ 90.02

JUNIOR MISSION SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Offerings	$ 33.54	Literature Supplies	$ 2.92
		Special to W.M.S.	2.00
		Dues	7.50
		Administration Fund	1.50
		Literature Fund	1.00
		Home Missions	10.00
		Thank Offering	3.62
		Bethphage Mission	5.00
		Grand Total	$ 33.54

TRINITY SINKING FUND

On hand in Savings Account $100.00
Plus some interest for 1942.

LADIES AID SOCIETY

Receipts in Checking Account:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1942	$ 400.36	To Current Fund	$ 360.00
Salenand Dinners	532.84	Church Debt Fund	100.00
Attendance	15.20	Lutheran World Action	25.00
Merchandise	22.70	Merchandise	270.30
Donations	73.05	Total	$ 755.30
Miscellaneous	4.25	Balance in Checking A/c 1-1-43	293.10
Total	$1,048.40	Grand Total	$1,048.40

Balance in Savings Account, 1-1-42	$ 162.11
Collections at meetings deposited in Savings Account (1942)	158.91
Reported in Savings Account, January 1, 1943	$ 216.65

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church,
Astoria, Oregon.

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the treasuries, as summarized above. We have had to make changes and reconciliations in several of the books and reports. Since our congregation is supposed, by decision, to employ the unified treasury system we suggest that all the groups take steps to enter that system as soon as possible. Then if each treasurer checks with our Cashier once a month, discrepancies at the end of the year would not be necessary. After alterations we believe the above balances to be correct.

(Signed) Josephine N. Hill
Anna Fausett
Ruth Mitchell

The pastor's report was read and accepted. The annual financial statements were distributed. Each item was discussed. Favorable balances were noted in all treasurer's reports.

The 1943 budget, as given below, was read by the current treasurer, C. H. Grimstad.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1943

Choir Director	$ 180.00
Pastor's Salary	2400.00
Organist	120.00
Interest and Notes	None
Custodian's Salary	360.00
Light, Power, Fuel and Water	240.00
Taxes	45.00
Insurance	180.00
Bulletin Supplies	120.00
Bibles and Confirmation Supplies	40.00
Baptismal Supplies	12.00
Music and Hymnals	60.00
Communion Supplies	12.00
Repairs to Buildings	60.00
Duplex Envelopes	24.00
Miscellaneous	160.00
Total	$4013.00

Motion was made and carried that the following inventory report, as read by Mr. Grimstad, be accepted:

REPORT TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
on value of church property

Depreciation on Church property for 1942	$1,136.53
Value of Church property, January 1, 1943	36,931.19
Balance due on Extension Loan	1,888.17
Net Value	$35,043.02

The original values used in the depreciation schedule were taken from the report given to the congregation January 1, 1941. This report is brought up to date including purchases made since that date.

It is the recommendation of this committee that the depreciation schedule set forth be continued. Any new articles or alterations should be set up in the schedule and depreciated at the proper rate.

(Signed) R. E. Engbretson
C. H. Grimstad

The official ballots were distributed to voting members present. A motion was made and carried that those whose names appeared on the ballot be accepted as candidates. Motion carried that the person receiving second highest votes on the Conference Delegate and District Delegate elections should be alternates.

Mrs. Bernard Amundsen was unanimously elected Church School superintendent.

Miss Josephine Hill was unanimously elected organist.

The following auditors were reelected: Josephine Hill, Mrs. Marvin Fausett, Mrs. Perry Mitchell.

The following ushers were unanimously elected: Gunnar Johanson, Perry Mitchell, E. R. Pearson, Nels Rasmussen, Jr., William Seeborg, Richard H. Tennant, Edwin Westersund, Arnold Misbeck, Arthur E. Johanson, Gearhart Backlund, Runor E. Rasmus, Elmer W. Bloomquist, Donald Hoyer, Donald Hansen, and Richard Nordquist.

The following deacons were elected for a term of three years: William Seeborg, Richard H. Tennant, William Wisbeck.

The following trustees were elected for a term of three years: Herman Slotte, Elmer W. Bloomquist, Arthur E. Johanson

Nels J. Rasmussen was elected delegate to the Conference with Emil Rasmus as alternate.

Edwin Westersund was elected delegate to the District, with C. O. Moberg as alternate.

Perry Mitchell was elected to represent Trinity on the Emanuel Charity Board.

Mrs. E. F. Hedeen was unanimously elected custodian.

Tellers serving during election were Mrs. Perry Mitchell, Mrs. E. C. Elliott, Mrs. Roy Engbretson and Mabel Johnson.

Resolutions of the Cabinet Committee were read by Mrs. A. E. Engbretson after which each was voted upon separately. The resolutions, all of which were accepted, are as follows:

MAY IT BE RESOLVED:

1. That we, as members of the Congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church may be duly thankful that we have been favored with various blessings that have been bestowed upon us throughout the past year.

2. That during this great conflict between nations, right may win through the guidance of God.

3. That we may show loyalty to our Church by diligent work and faithful attendance.

4. That we may show our interest in Christian education by cheerful co-operation and by making every effort to increase attendance at Church School and Vacation Bible School. That we also show our gratitude for the fine work carried on by the Church School teachers.

5. That our gratitude be expressed to every society of our Church and to the officers of each respective organization.

6. That we rejoice that our membership has increased to include a communion of 401; and that many babies have become children of God through Holy Baptism.

7. That by our conduct toward church we show our esteem for our pastor.

8. That for the duties performed by the deacons, Carl Moberg, Felix Soderberg and E. F. Hedeen, and the trustees, Fritz Elfving, Emil Rasmus and C. H. Grimstad, whose offices expire now we say, "Thank you".

9. That we express special appreciation to the organist, choir director, custodian, financial secretary, church cashier and church treasurers for their efficient condution of service and their untiring efforts.

10. That we continue to remember the boys in the service of our Country with our prayers and that we condinue sending boxes of cheer to them at various times.

11. That we note with satisfaction the fact that we concluded the year with all current and benevolent obligations paid in full. In humbleness we praise the Lord for the privilege of giving.

12. That those who have suffered bereavement during 1942 may find comfort in 1 Thess. 4:13-14 verses.

13. That the unified treasury system, previously adopted ~~to~~ be utilized to the fullest extent, thus eliminating the discrepancies that otherwise arise when the books are audited.

14. That we put forth our efforts to curb all social evil in our community and help guide the youth in healthful living and in stronger spiritual life.

15. That we as a congregation pray Almighty God that peace may come to this world of tumult this year; that also a sane adjustment period be entered upon by all nations.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Elsie Engbretson
Johanna Amundsen
E. Pearson

Motion was made and carried that the Joint Board read and approve the minutes of this Annual Meeting.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

The session closed with the singing of the doxology and prayer and the benediction by the pastor.

Reg. A. Kullberg M.D.
Secretary

These minutes were approved by the Joint Board June 28, 1.3

by Kenneth Johanson
Secretary of the Board

Minutes of the Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 19, 1944
8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

There were 46 voting members present.

Song #32, "God Is Love; [illegible]" was sung by the congregation. Pastor Kempe led in Scripture reading and prayer, choosing as his text Ephesians 3: 14-21.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

Pastor Kempe read his annual report, which was as follows:

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church,
Astoria, Oregon

The Peace of God be with you!

"Praise God from Whom all blessings flow".

With this hymn-phrase the Augustana Synod sent out last year its first call for the preliminary work in the great the year Centennial program. Gratitude to God is the theme of our church these years 1943-1948. That is the appeal to every loyal heart within our church; and that is the appeal to all loyal members in Trinity, Astoria. And a grateful people is a happy people.

In spite of all the disturbances about us and in us we have many, many reasons to sound the note of jubilation as we review again another year's activity within the church. Not only is there cause for rejoicing within our own congregation but also with respect to the challenges and opportunities for the church at large. When peace reigns in the world people are apt to become smug and indifferent regarding all things spiritual and moral. Life is then wont to go to sleep. When disturbances come there are usually awakenings and people become active and acceptable to impressions and impacts. We believe the present conditions in the world allow for this statement. When in your generation and mine did people talk so much about matters spiritual and moral, and peace and happiness as they do now? When in our history did the world ask so seriously that the church do something for the world as is done today? Those who read the right literature note these things. And don't forget that the church, generally speaking, is aware of this and is thinking, and planning and doing in order that the opportunities may be met. We are happy for all this. We rejoice with an inner-man's jubilation. We are sure that the Kingdom is coming with greater power. In our own Synod the Centennial thank offering of last year was but a beginning for us. This year the second step is being taken, namely, an emphasis upon Congregational Life and Growth with the thought of winning souls in a great Home Mission endeavor. We thank God for the privilege of thus thanking God.

We shall attempt to make this report the shortest possible as we review the work of 1943 and call for plans for 1944.

THE MEANS OF GRACE

The Word has been read and studied and preached regularly throughout the year. Morning and evening services have been held as a general practice of the church. At times we are tempted to urge the discontinuation of the evening service but as long as the war is on and we have many visitors in our city it is the wisest not to do so. Week-day services have been conducted at time and principally during the Lenten season.

The Sacraments have been celebrated with good attendance at the Lord's Supper and 22 souls baptized. There are cases where our members are neglecting the Lord's Supper. The leaders of the church must set the right example in this matter if the membership is to have confidence in them.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Parochial School is a part of the church's work. And the instruction of the young is a responsibility [illegible] to be taken [illegible] pastor-teacher liaison. Confirmation schools are conducted [illegible] prepared for membership in the church. We are disappointed, and that in a real sense, at the attitude of our adults regarding Sunday Bible classes. When Trinity revises that attitude you will find a different spirit coming into the church.

Vacation Bible School was again held for a short period last summer with very accentuated results. As soon as our physical equipment can be improved so as to give a real Christian [illegible] school plant we will find the results more commensurate with our great efforts.

The congregati[illegible] organization. We [illegible] At present we [illegible] surely should be [illegible] is willing to take the [illegible] work in prayer and prayer. [illegible] will respond.

[illegible]

The reports from the various treasurers and societies indicate [illegible] year when our church enjoyed [illegible] their gifts. There remained in all the treasuries on January 1, [illegible] combined sum of $2,695.31 including cash and government bonds. We are [illegible] in action as well as words. The pastor is glad that our people, during these more prosperous days, show their willingness to share with the Lord in His work. There remains unpaid on our Centennial quota $1,225.00 which is covered by pledges. There remains $1,740.77 to be paid on our church indebtedness. Since we are celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of Trinity [illegible] next summer we will want to finish our debt by that time and rejoice with a debt-free property, all God willing.

We say thank you to Mrs. [illegible], our financial secretary, to Mrs. Helena Hedeen, the church cashier, to Mr. Elmer W. Blomquist, current fund treasurer, to Mr. Richard H. Tennant, benevolence fund treasurer, and all the society and other fund treasurers for their work and willing cooperation.

[illegible]

Most all of the societies have functioned with regularity during the year. The following should be noted for our records:

The Ladies Aid contributed to the current fund $240.00 during the year and also paid for a carpet in the pastor's study.

The Daughters of Trinity have completed the four Fair Linen sets for Altar and Pulpit.

The Brotherhood underwrote the expenses connected with the shrubbery around the church.

The Fellowship Club handled the Christmas decorations again this year.

An "unnamed" donor purchased venetian blinds for the windows in the pastor's study.

The pastor's cabinet is recommending that we ask only $180.00 from the Ladies Aid society for the current fund this year. We personally feel that each society should be given every opportunity to gather funds during these years of plenty for specific improvements in our church, to be undertaken as soon as priorities are removed. Thus the above request which is less by $60.00 than last year.

The societies have reported the following to the pastor--with a statement of purpose for each:

Brotherhood: 25 members. To give aid and support to the church.
Ladies Aid: 69 members. To give aid and assist in the work of the church.
Daughers of Trinity: 26 members. To help in furthering the interest of the church.
WMS: 30 members. To assist the church in its work for Home and Foreign Missions.
YWMS: 12 members. To assist in missionary work and cultivate the missionary spirit in our young women.
Senior Luther League: 10 members. To work among our people.
Junior Luther League: 20 members. To foster church loyalty among the teen age folk
Fellowship Club: 30 members. To foster the fellowship spirit among the younger married families of the church.

BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

The term of office for the following deacons expires at this meeting: Paul H. Kraetch, E. R. Pearson and Mrs. Seeberg. Three are to be elected. The term of office for the following trustees expire now: Edmund C. Elliott, Ragnor Hoyer and and Edwin Westersund. Three are to be elected. Our sincere gratitude is expressed to these men for service given.

We thank Miss Josephine N. Hill for her punctual and talented work as organist, the Misses. Robert Cochran and Edwin Beach, chorus directors, Mrs. Bernard Amundsen, Church School superintendent, Mrs. [illegible] and Miss Doris [illegible], church custodians. Also members of the Ladies Aid and Daughters of Trinity for [illegible] work during the summer. The Daughters of Trinity, in their report, say, "We society did four pleasant weeks of Janitor work at the church". A fine spirit indeed.

THE COUNCIL OF SPIRITUAL DEFENSE

This committee has functioned in behalf of our men in military service. Trinity aims to keep in contact with her men no matter where they are. There are now 53 stars on our flag with two of our men discharged or released. I beg leave to include the names of all these men in this report so that posterity may know who they were. Our sympathies are extended to the Seeberg family for the death of Arvid E. Seeberg, who died in the Philippines. Memorial services were held for him on July second.

Trinity Men in Military Service January 1, 1944

Howard M. Anderson
Gearhart W. Backlund
John Roger Benson
*Charles W. Birch
E. John Bjork
C. Delmar Boman
John Gunnar Cederberg
Arthur Lee Chambers
Leland I. De Witt
Edward W. Elfving
John Henry Elfving
Edmund C. Elliott
Laddie Engbretson
Marvin A. Fausett
Arthur C. Frisbie
Gottfred John Haglund
Lloyd Hagnas
Donald R. Hansen
Gustav Edwin Holmstrom
Donald B. Hoyer
Gunnar W. Johanson
Clarence S. Johnson
Paul W. Kempe
Oscar W. Lindberg
Nils Adolf Lofgren
Harry N. Lofgren
Homer U. Mackey
Raymond M. Mathre
Ralph F. Nordstrom
#Carl A. Nyquist
Kurt H. Olsen
Jalmer Oren
Einard R. Pearson
Robert C. Peterson
Nels I. Rasmussen
Sigvold E. Satre
Arnold W. Seeborg
John E. Seeborg
Roy R. Seeborg
Kenneth G. Seeborg
Robert E. Sjosten
E. Truman Slotte
Gordon H. Slotte
John N. Slotte
Walter B. Soderberg
C. Arthur Soderberg
Richard C. W. Soderberg
Charles F. Swanson
Roy A. Swenson
Erling A. Tover
Kenneth E. Weaver
William Wisbeck, Jr.
Arnold Wisbeck

* Medical Discharge
\# Released from active service

MISCELLANEOUS

The Pastor's cabinet recommends the enlisting of a student interne from Augustana Theological Seminary, in conjunction with the hospital chaplaincy service, the same to take effect next June. I hope the congregation will see its way clear to heed this recommendation and give this a try for one year. There is so much work in our community yet undone by way of Sunday School and preaching stations, calling on absentee Church-School pupils, finding new pupils and prospective church members, assisting with the Luther League and Boys and Girls work, that we feel this will be a progressive step to take. It is in line with the Centennial Congregational Life and Growth program.

The Sacrament and Altar committee has served very acceptably. The Altar boys idea has been received well as this has given our boys a chance to do something in church. An Altar mother has charge of the boys each Sunday and to her do we say thank you. Ushers have been on duty adding to the smoothness of our services. The Fellowship Club is sponsoring a nursery for children during the Sunday morning worship hour. This club also directs the "Welcome to Visitors" at the morning service. The choir and chorus have served so faithfully lending aid to the beauty of our worship. Music committees for the special music have been on the job with regularity. To all these, Thank You.

Trinity is glad to have many visitors at its Sunday services. And these speak so well of our church that we are [illegible] by their complimenting expressions. Let us all do our best to welcome the guests. These visitors will spread the good news of Trinity's friendliness. Read what some say in the guest book in the foyer.

Trinity rejoices over the establishment of the much needed Lutheran Service Center at 187-12th Street. This Center and Pastor and Pastor and Mrs. Alexander Borrevik are a great asset to our Lutheran work in Astoria. We will give them all the help possible.

IN MEMORIAM

Only two communicant members departed this life during 1943.

Arvid E. Seeborg passed away June 16, 1943. Age 25 yr., 5 months, 4 days.
John [illegible] passed away October 18, 1943. Age 78 years, [illegible] months, [illegible] days.

May God comfort the bereaved. Peace be with these souls!

STATISTICS

[illegible]: 13 children of members; 18 children of non-members; 1 adult.

Confirmed: 4 children of members; 4 children of non-members; 3 adults.

[illegible]: 12 [illegible].

Accessions: [illegible]: 7 [illegible] profession and 3 children.

Dismissals: 6 communicants.

Funerals conducted: 22 non-members; 2 members.

Membership, January 1, 1944: 420 communicants and 153 children.

CLOSING THOUGHT

With gratitude for the past, we pray that 1944 may become the most blessed year in the life of our congregation and the most significant in the history of our church.

"Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."

Very sincerely,

J. Walton Kempe

Astoria, Oregon
January 19, 1944

The following financial statements were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:		To Benevolence Treasurer:	
Envelopes	$3,258.27	Envelopes	$ 867.59
Initial Offering	29.42	Loose Offering	108.96
Loose Offering	400.41	Easter Offering	98.15
Ladies Aid	240.00	Lutheran World Action	190.92
Easter Offering	146.16	Thanksgiving Offering	79.73
Christmas Offering	135.50	Pacific Lutheran College	33.09
Miscellaneous	54.10	Miscellaneous	88.76
Total	$4,263.86	Total	$1,466.30

To Benevolence Treasurer for Centennial:

Cash $3,262.50

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 214.04	Pastor's Salary	$2,332.00
From Financial Secretary	4,128.36	Organist's Salary	120.00
Christmas Offering, 1943	135.50	Choir Director	175.00
		Custodian	207.50
Total	$4,477.90	Church Supplies	220.11
		Music and Hymnals	66.58
		Heat, Light, Power, Water	263.70
		Postage and Publicity	46.25
		Repairs and Maintenance	74.77
		Insurance	174.50
		Taxes	42.94
		Miscellaneous	36.10
			$3,759.45
		Balance, January 1, 1944	718.45
		Total	$4,477.90

BENEVOLENCE TREASURER

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, [illegible]	$ 54.01	Conference and Synod Budget	[illegible]
From Financial Secretary	[illegible]	Pension Assessments	[illegible]
		Lutheran World Action	[illegible]
Total	$1,520.31	Foreign Mission, Special	[illegible]
		District Fare Fund	[illegible]
		Pacific Lutheran College	[illegible]
		Candlemas Offering	[illegible]
		American Bible Society	[illegible]
		National T. B. San.	[illegible]
		Synod Tract Fund	[illegible]
		[illegible] (1942)	[illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]
		Balance, January 1, [illegible]	[illegible]
		Total	[illegible]

Receipts for Centennial:

Disbursements:	
Refund to donor	$ 50.00
To Conference Treasurer	3,000.00
	3,050.00
Balance, January 1, 1944	212.50
Total	$3,262.50

Other Credits in Trinity's Favor on the Centennial:	
Checks by friends issued to hospital	$ 175.00
Two 20-year trustee notes	300.00
Bond issued to Synod	100.00
	$ 575.00
Grand total paid to date on Centennial	$3,575.00
Cash on hand	212.50
	$3,787.50
Balance to be paid	1,225.00

BUILDING FUND

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 248.18
Edwin Westersund	5.00
Birthday Social	25.80
A. Mackey	30.00
Senior Luther League	15.00
Total	$ 323.98

Disbursements:	
Laundry	$ 2.29
Labor on Altar	13.00
Grave Markers, Ed Larson	75.00
On Debt	160.00
Bank Charge	3.20
	$ 253.49
Balance, January 1, 1944	70.49
Total	$ 323.98

ALTAR PANEL FUND

Receipts:	
R. W. Kullberg	$ 25.00
John E. Wicks	10.00
Steinbock - Quit Claim	25.00
Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 60.00

COUNCIL, SPIRITUAL DEFENSE

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 7.45
Cash	12.00
Total	$ 19.45

Disbursements:	
Postage, Christmas packages	$ 3.85
Balance, January 1, 1944	15.60
Total	$ 19.45

CHURCH SCHOOL

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 69.75
Sunday offerings	318.90
Robe Rent	14.00
Vacation Bible School	39.33
Easter Offering	105.40
Christmas Offering	41.70
Total	$ 589.08

Disbursements:	
Augustana Book Concern (Supplies)	$ 323.79
Methodist Book Conc. "	8.31
United Luth. Pub. "	10.00
H. H. Halley (Books)	5.60
Conference Histories	15.00
Bus Tickets	45.00
Miscellaneous Supplies	30.85
Altar Robes	13.76
Confirmation Class flowers	2.50
Rally Month Postage	12.40
Vacation Bible School adv.	4.40
Lutheran World Action (Fin.Sec.)	50.00
Junior Mission Society	30.00
[illegible]	[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1944	37.47
Total	$ 589.08

LADIES AID SOCIETY

Checking Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 293.10
Annual Sales and Dinners	[illegible]
Cash Donations	[illegible]
Bond Money Collected	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
	[illegible]

Disbursements:	
To Church Current Fund (Financial Sec.)	$ 240.00
Four Government Bonds	74.25
Lutheran World Action (F.S.)	25.00
Oregon Protective Society	18.00
C. O. Moberg (Church Shrub.)	10.00
Merchandise for dinners	315.83
	[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1944	595.07
Total	[illegible]

Ladies Aid Savings

Receipts:		No disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 217.45	Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 377.52
Received from collections	160.07		
	[illegible]		

Ladies Aid (Other Assets)

5 Government Bonds @ $18.50

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 8.21	Dues	$ 15.00
Dues	15.00	Sustaining	.50
Sustaining	.50	Anna Olson's Salary	33.00
Boxes of Blessing	16.73	Dime Books	8.40
Prayer Day Offering	10.23	Home Missions	31.00
In Memoriam	10.00	Jewish Missions	7.80
Offerings and Contributions	154.17	My Missionary for a Day	5.00
		Literature Fund	1.00
Total	$ 214.84	Administration Fund	3.10
		Augustana Centennial	5.00
		WMS Program Packet	.74
		Christmas Cheer	5.00
		Boxes of Blessings	16.73
		Bethphage Mission	5.00
		Compass Mission (Seattle)	5.00
		Gift for ill member	1.49
		Augustana Nursery	5.00
		China Relief	13.10
		Prayer Day Offering	10.23
		In Memoriam	10.00
		Picture and Tribute in Mission Tidings	2.75
			$ 184.84
		Balance, January 1, 1944	30.00
		Total	$ 214.84

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 2.24	Adjusting entry ('42 error)	$ 2.00
Valentine party and tea	31.04	12 dues	6.00
Monthly collections	15.19	Anna Olson	10.00
Dues	6.00	My Missionary for a Day	7.50
		Centennial Fund	3.00
Total	$ 54.47	Lutheran Service Center	10.00
		China, Bethph. Missions, Mis.	15.16
			$ 53.66
		Balance, January 1, 1944	.81
		Total	$ 54.47

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 53.68	Fair Linen	$ 130.56
Offerings	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Heirloom Tea	30.31	Miscellaneous	10.24
Cooked Food Sale	34.10		$ 145.80
Gift from Ann Henderson	10.00	Balance, January 1, 1944	20.69
Total	$ 166.49	Total	$ 166.49

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 9.61	To Petty Cash Fund	[illegible]
Dues collected	41.75	Pencils for church pews	[illegible]
Overpaid from Petty Cash Fund	1.71	For books	[illegible]
		Lutheran World Action	[illegible]
Total	$ 53.07		[illegible]
		Balance, January 1, 1944	[illegible]
		Total	$ [illegible]

[illegible]

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]

LUTHER LEAGUE EDUCATION FUND

Cash in Savings Account $ 110.00

JUNIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 7.16	Dist, Conf & Synod Dues	$ 10.00
Collections	13.72	Balance, January 1, 1944	10.88
Total	$ 20.88	Total	$ 20.88

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 47.81	Dues	$ 15.00
Offerings	37.83	Boy Scouts	9.00
Dues	24.00	Hospital	5.00
Special offering	11.29	Church	10.10
Strawberry social	8.45	Miscellaneous	44.85
Refreshments	11.90		$ 83.95
Total	$ 141.28	Balance, January 1, 1944	57.33
		Total	$ 141.28

SINKING FUND

Savings Account from previous year	$ 100.00
Accrued interest	3.28
	$103.28
Also a government bond	18.50
Grand total in Fund	$121.78

BUDGETS FOR 1944

Current:		Benevolences:	
Pastor's Salary	$2,400.00	Missions, Education, Charities	$ 981.00
Choir Director	200.00	Pension Fund Assessments	200.50
Organist	300.00	District Fare Fund	15.00
Custodian	300.00	Miscellaneous	50.00
Student Interne	340.00		
Light, Power, Heat, Water	230.00		
Taxes	45.00	Total	$1,246.50
Insurance	100.00		
Repairs	350.00		
Church Supplies	215.00		
Postage and Publicity	50.00		
Music and Hymnals	60.00		
Miscellaneous	50.00		
Total	$4,640.00		

INVENTORY

We, the undersigned auditors of the Church, have audited the records, receipts, treasury books and bank statements, and have found same, with some minor corrections necessary, to be correct.

(Signed) Josephine N. Hill
Anne Fausett
[illegible]

The pastor's [illegible] was accepted by vote of the congregation.

A motion was passed to engage the [illegible] for the coming year.

The following ushers were appointed by the pastor: Mrs. [illegible], [illegible], and Mr. Elmer Blomquist.

Motion was passed that the nominee receiving second highest vote be alternate on the Conference Delegate and District Delegate ballots.

Motion was made and carried that all ushers listed on the ballot be elected, with the one receiving the greatest number of votes being named head usher.

The following were nominated and elected as follows:

Deacons (for 3-year period): C. H. Grimstad, Clark Hedeen, Felix Soderberg.

Trustees (for 3-year period): Carl Nyland, Roy Seim, John E. Wicks.

Church School Superintendent: To be elected by Deacons.

Organist: Miss Josephine N. Hill.

Conference Delegate: Roy E. Engbretson; Emil Rasmus, alternate.

District Delegate: Elmer W. Blomquist; Perry K. Mitchell, alternate.

Emanuel Charity Board (3-year term): Roy E. Engbretson, Dr. R. W. Kullberg.

Auditors for 1944 accounts: Mrs. Anne Fausett, Josephine N. Hill, Mrs. Ruth Mitchell.

Ushers: Clark Hedeen, head usher, Elmer W. Blomquist, Roy E. Engbretson, E. F. Hedeen, Arthur Johanson, Dr. R. W. Kullberg, Perry K. Mitchell, Runar Rasmus, William Seeborg, Roy Seim, Richard H. Tennant, Weldon Thompson, Edwin Westersund.

The Resolutions of the Pastor's Cabinet were read by Miss Signe Enberg after which each was voted upon individually. The resolutions, all of which were accepted, were as follows:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That we, as members of the congregation of the Trinity Lutheran Church, are thankful to God for the many and varied blessings he has bestowed upon us during the past year.

2. That we earnestly pray God for guidance in our thoughts and deeds so that we and our leaders might bring this worldwide conflict to a just and early end with righteousness prevailing among all the people of the world.

3. That we are not unmindful of the supreme sacrifice made by our fellow member, Arvid E. Seeborg, and the sorrow and anguish experienced by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Seeborg, and the other members of his family.

4. That we continue to remember those in the service of our country with our prayers, also cheering them in whatever manner possible.

5. That we prove our loyalty to Christ and our church by diligent service and faithful attendance.

6. That we show added interest in Christian education by cheerfully cooperating in the effort to increase the Church School and Vacation Bible School attendance.

7. That we express our sincere gratitude to the officers and functionaries in every department of the church organization who [illegible] church work.

8. That we express our [illegible] for having made possible the doubling of our communicant membership during the current tenure of our beloved Pastor, Rev. [illegible], and by his [illegible] and growth might continue.

9. That those who have suffered bereavement during 1943 may find comfort in 1 Thess. 4: 13-14th verses, especially Mrs. John M. Peterson and other near relatives.

10. That we thank God for the added privilege of contributing to the Kingdom's work given us by the larger incomes of our people.

11. That we ask our people to finish their Centennial contributions as soon as possible.

12. That we join with the other Augustana Synod congregations in making 1944 a real congregational Life and Growth year as a part of our Centennial Gratitude to God [illegible].

13. That we [illegible] to finish Trinity's present debt program by August [illegible] congregation's [illegible] anniversary.

14. That we believe [illegible] our [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible] our [illegible] church.

1. That we thank God for any spiritual advancement within our Church and that we pray for His Grace and Blessing in all our efforts in the work of His Kingdom.

The Pastor's Cabinet recommends to the congregation:

A. That the congregation, with proper festivities, celebrate its Fifteenth anniversary next summer.

B. That the Ladies Aid Society be requested to contribute $180.00 to the current fund in 1944 instead of $240.00 as of 1943.

C. That the 1943 Christmas offering be remitted to the Debt Liquidation Fund.

D. That the joint board be instructed to allow the financial secretary and church cashier a stipulated honorarium for their services.

E. That we call for a student interne to begin his service in Trinity in June 1944 and to serve for one year.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Signe Enberg
V. William Seeborg.

The Societies were asked by the Pastor to elect officers before the first of the year, so that public installation might be held the first Sunday of the year.

Motion was made and carried that the Board of Administration approve the minutes of this meeting.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting closed with the singing of the Doxology and the benediction by the pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. Kullberg, M.D.
Secretary

These minutes were approved by the Joint Board _____

by _____
Secretary of the Board

Historical Data and Statistics.
Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria Oregon
Fifteenth Anniversary
August 27 1944

Pastor Andeen arrived in Astoria in April, 1929.
On August 22, 1929, CALL for organization meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church was sent out by Pastor G. K. Andeen.
Fifty people were present at the organization meeting -- August 27, 1929.
Pastor Andeen presided and Miss Agda Carlson served as secretary of the meeting.
The charter was kept open until March 1, 1930.
First deacons: Matt Nyland, Axel Finney, C. Victor Westersund, Karl E. Soderberg, Albert E. Engbretson, John F. Christians, Herman Benson, C. O. Moberg and J. W. Johanson.
First trustees: Gust Peterson, Emil Rasmus, John E. Wicks, C. A. Larson, F. S. Elfving, Herman Slotte, J. P. Carlson, Fred Nordstrom and William Jacobson.
Congregation voted on January 24, 1930 to purchase property where our church now stands. Price, $4,800.00. That year a legacy of $2,000.00 was received from the Andrew Young estate.
Pastor Andeen resigned his charge at Trinity April 6, 1931 and left July 1 the same year.
Pastor J. A. Martin of Wakefield, Nebraska was called August 12, 1931; he accepted the call and arrived in Astoria, November 2, 1931.
Decision to build new church was adopted June 29, 1932.
Ground-breaking ceremonies, July 6, 1932.
Corner stone was laid, September 28, 1932.
Trinity moved into new church basement for worship, March 12, 1933. The Lord's Supper was celebrated on that day with 135 people communing.
The same year (1933) the old structure on our property was converted into a parsonage.
Congregation became self-sustaining in 1934.
Building operations were continued and extended through 1938.
Pastor Martin moved from Trinity in January, 1938, moving to Warren, Oregon.
Pastor Kempe was called April 6, 1938. He accepted the call on June 1 and entered Trinity's service, August 25, 1938.
First service in new sanctuary, December 25, 1938.
Tenth Anniversary celebration with dedication of new church, September 13-17, 1939.
Columbia conference annual convention in Trinity, April 1940.
Received legacy of over $7,000.00 in 1940 from the Mr. and Mrs. Edward Larson estate.

Members, 1929: 200 communicants and 56 children.
Members, August 27, 1944: 440 communicants and 168 children.
Souls baptized during the 15 years: 249.
Confirmees: 239. Couples married: 187. Burials conducted: 365.
Communicants who have passed away: 54.
Charter members yet on Trinity's roll: 122.

Contributions for current expenses up to January 1, 1944: $58,208.98.
Contributions for missions and charities up to January 1, 1944: $16,957.86.
Contributions for improvements and new equipment: $54,275.76.

Communicants in military service in present war:

Howard M. Anderson
Gearhart W. Backlund
John Roger Benson
Charles W. Birch (medical discharge)
John E. Bjork
Carl Delmar Boman
John G. Cederberg
Arthur Lee Chambers
Leland I. DeWitt
Edward W. Elfving
John Henry Elfving (killed in action)
Edmund C. Elliott
Laddie Engbretson
Marvin A. Fausett
Arthur C. Frisbie
Gottfred J. Haglund
Lloyd Hagnas
Donald R. Hansen
Edwin Holmstrom
Donald B. Hoyer
Gunnar W. Johanson
Clarence S. Johnson
Gertrude M. Johnson R. N.
Paul W. Kempe
Dr. O. W. Lindberg
Adolf Lofgren
Harry N. Lofgren

Erling A. Tover
Kenneth E. Weaver
William Wisbeck Jr
Arnold Wisbeck

Homer U. Mackey
Marvin R. Mathre
Raymond M. Mathre
Ralph F. Nordstrom
Carl A. Nyquist (released)
Kurt H. Olsen
Jalmer Oren
Einard R. Pearson
Robert C. Peterson
Nels I. Rasmussen
Sigvold E. Satre
Arvid E. Seeborg (died in prison-camp)
Arnold W. Seeborg
John E. Seeborg
Roy R. Seeborg
Kenneth G. Seeborg
Robert E. Sjosten
Truman Slotte
Gordon Slotte
John N. Slotte
Arthur Soderberg
Richard Soderberg
Walter Soderberg
Charles F. Swanson
Roy A. Swenson
Weldon T. Thompson

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Minutes of the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 16, 1945
8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. A hymn was sung to the congregation, followed by scripture reading and prayer by Pastor J. [illegible].

Dr. R. W. Ku'lberg was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

Pastor Kempe read his annual report, as follows:

To The Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

"God is faithful by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." 1 Corinthians 1:9.

A year ago when we met for our annual meeting we entertained high hopes that the unholy war would be over before New Year 1945. And during the first 8 months of 1944 we were confident that our hopes were well founded. But little by little we became disillusioned as we saw the world politicians gain a firmer hold upon the governments of the free nations. Policies of justice and honesty were scrapped, the much-heralded and praised Atlantic Charter was disavowed as only pieces of scrap-paper, foreign policies became objects of scorn and ridicule, and the pleadings of persecuted people were more and more given a deaf ear. And today our hopes for victory and peace seem so very far removed from us; our spirits are low; and there is no longer any talk about an early cessation of war.

Thus reads our appraisal of the present world picture. It may not be as dark as that... God in His heaven only knows. He alone knows how long He will endure a people who sells its son's blood for political gain and for the gold of an earthly prosperity.

However, we Christians must look up and not become too disouited. Man proposes, God disposes. God is still faithful who has called us into innermost fellowship with His Holy Son Jesus Christ. In that fellowship we know the certainty of comfort, strength, victory, liberty, peace, brotherly love.

"Though troubles assail us, and dangers affright,
Though friends should all fail us, and foes all unite,
Yet one thing secures us, whatever betide,
The promise assures us - "The Lord will provide."

We are members of The Church and the Church of Jesus Christ, though militant here will be triumphant in its attack upon evil and in its preaching of the Gospel of the Cross. I plead with you, Trinity, don't ever forget that. Wrong may flourish for a season - the ultimate end will see righteousness and holiness again enthroned.

In several ways 1944 was a remarkable year for our beloved Trinity Church. In these sentences of an annual report we will endeavor to bring out this remarkableness.

The Means of Grace

In the Administration of the Means of Grace we note the following:

Larger average attendances at the divine services.

More visitors at our services than during any other year.

A greater variety of pastors and chaplains assisting with the Sacraments and the Word than any year before.

More private communions and private spiritual interviews than usual.

[illegible] more representative attendance at Holy Communion by our own people.

[illegible]sm of a visiting sailor at our Baptismal Font.

[illegible]o Sunday our church has had regular worship services. [illegible] under the direction of L. Edwin Beach, together wi[illegible] [illegible] music to our worship. The Altar and F[illegible]

[illegible] welcome to all church-comers. Their [illegible] the atmosphere of orderliness. The [illegible], and Miss Josephine N. Hill deserves our highest [illegible] Altar Boys under the supervision of Mrs. Roy E. Engbretson and [illegible] served with dignity and [illegible].

All these things are but parts to the service. The Word and Sacraments are the main elements. But these more common parts help give the Chief element a proper and impressive setting.

[illegible] in Religious promotional work as last year. Preaching [illegible] awaiting us and the Lord says, "Go, Tell".

Christian Education

[illegible] is progressing--not too fast--but making gains. Yes, we still have no superintendent, and [illegible] provide. The pastor has had not so little to do with the new community Sunday School in the Federal Housing [illegible] started as soon as working forces can be enlisted. A golden opportunity awaits, whosoever will, to start a complete Church School in the Alderbrook Presbyterian Church. [illegible] power to work it.

Our own Church School had a very successful fall period in 1944. [illegible] attendance, better organization, better spirit. At long last we have a space for our Primary department and the faculty of that group is quite happy over this. Now we need another piano for the Junior-Intermediate groupl also larger space for the Beginners who are still meeting in the parsonage basement room built the first year we were in Trinity by the Kempe boys, for a parsonage recreational room.

When we get a small grand piano for the sanctuary then the piano now in use there can be moved into the Junior-Intermediate department. Who will give us such an instrument?

And this prompts another thought. With the expansion of our Christian Education program the time will come when the old parsonage should be converted into parish house and church office quarters. This will mean a parsonage elsewhere. Merely as a proposal am I asking the congregation to authorize the Board of Administration to appoint a committee to investigate this matter and bring to the congregation any recommendation arrived at.

The Finances

Need we say anything about these? The finance reports speak their own language. Think of the large sum of money gathered by our people during the last two years. It goes to show that where you have the good will of the people response for God's Kingdom will come.

We are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jacobsen, who with their fine voluntary gift, gave the inspiration and incentive to the rest of us to liquidate the last of Trinity's indebtedness. The cancelled mortgage and notes are here on our table tonight. Our church is debt-free.

[illegible] that we can now, better and more effectively, do our fair share in [illegible] for those things yet to be done for our own property.

This makes me propose the following as permanent improvement committees:

Alter Paneling:
Perry Mitchell, Dr. R. W. Kullberg and Mrs. F. S. Elfving with John E. Wicks and the pastor as advisory members.

Art Windows:
Mrs. C. O. Moberg, William Seeborg, and Herman Slotte, with Mr. Wicks and the pastor advisory members.

[illegible] Decorating of Sanctuary:
[illegible], Elmer Blomquist and Signe Enberg with Mr. Wicks [illegible] advisory members.

[illegible] that these committees be so con-[illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]. May the members of each think of the church as [illegible] be willing to invert talent for the good of the Kingdom, [illegible] personalities, in the various church [illegible]. Our aim is to make [illegible].

[illegible] last year. The Young Women's Missionary [illegible] members will affiliate with [illegible].

The Lutheran Service Center

The Lutheran Service Center, [illegible] Borrevik, has [illegible] for some over a year. Thousands of men [illegible] ministry of God who minister there. We are indeed glad that the National Lutheran Commission did heed our request to establish this mission spot for military personnel coming to Astoria. Only the Lord Himself will know the ultimate good that has come to individual souls through the ministration of this Center.

[illegible]

Board Members and Officers

The term of office of the following deacons expires at this time: Axel G. Backlund, Gunnar Johanson, Dr. R. W. Kullberg. Also the term of office for the following Trustees expires now: Roy E. Engbretson, J. W. Johanson, Perry K. Mitchell. Our gratitude to these servants is whole-heartedly given. Thank you for willing service.

May we also give our appreciation to all the following for their respective labors during 1944: Josephine N. Hill, organist, Mrs. Clark V. Hedeen, church cashier, Mrs. Theodore Anderson, financial secretary, Elmer W. Blomquist, current treasurer, Richard H. Tennant, Benevolence treasurer, L. Edwin Beach, chorus direction, Gloria Engbretson and Mrs. E. F. Hedeen, custodians, Donald Hedeen, bell ringer, and the Flower and Altar committee, the Church School teachers, the auditors, and ushers and the Altar boys.

The Council of Spiritual Defense

We thank the committee that has handled the matter of keeping in touch with our service men and women during the past two or three years. The Church Council will appoint a new committee at the beginning of this year and we know that the new group will serve as willingly and faithfully as did the former committee. We all know the importance of keeping in touch with our folks who are serving our country in the military realm. We want them to know that the Benediction of the church follows them anywhere they may be called to serve.

Again in 1944 another gold star was added to our Church Service Flag, viz: John Henry Elfving, who died in action in France in the summer of 1944. Memorial Services were held for him on October 11. May it be God's will that no more of our men shall need to die in this horrible war.

Committee on Centennial Life and Growth

In the Centennial program, 1945 will be Foreign Mission Year. However, we have not finished the 1944 program [illegible]. A [illegible] committee to continue the Life and Growth work will be appointed by the Board now in 1945.

In Memoriam

The following of our members passed away in 1944 and we keep their memories sacred:

Jasper P. Hovgaard, passed away January 1, 1944 at the age of 75 years, 4 months, 28 days.

Mrs. John A. Olson, passed away January 15, 1944 at the age of 69 years, 23 days.

Mrs. Brita West, passed away February 14, 1944 at the age of 76 years, 7 months.

Mrs. Louisa Nyland, passed away April 27, 1944 at the age of 82 years, 6 months, 10 days.

[illegible]l A. Enberg, passed away June 12, 1944 at the age of 89 years, 6 months, 1 day.

[illegible] Jacob Frey, Jr. passed away July 8, 1944 at the age of 15 days.

[illegible], passed away July 17, 1944 at the age of 60 years, 5 months, 3 days.

[illegible] 7, 1944 at the age of [illegible] years, [illegible] months, [illegible] days.

[illegible] years, [illegible] months, [illegible] days.

May comfort come to the bereaved. May each of us be prepared to meet our God.

Statistics

Baptisms: 10 children of members, 15 children of non-members, 2 adults.

Confirmed: 9 children of members, 12 children of non-members, 6 adults.

Marriages: 28 couples.

Accessions: 2 communicants by Letters and 2 children, 6 on Confession.

Dismissed: 8 Communicants.

Funerals: 8 communicant members, 1 child of members, 35 non-members.

Membership, January 1, 1945: 439 communicants, 170 children.

Conclusion

God, on His side, is faithful. May we not be weighed and found wanting. Our trust is in Jehovah.

Very sincerely,

J. Walton Kempe

Astoria, Oregon
January 16, 1945

The following financial statements were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:	
Envelopes	$ 3997.50
Loose Offering	799.88
Initial Offering	45.37
From Ladies Aid	180.00
Miscellaneous	509.74
Total	$ 5530.49

To Benevolent Treasurer:	
Envelopes	$ 1101.05
Loose Offering	150.62
Lutheran World Action	293.05
Easter Offering	146.07
Thanksgiving Offering	149.06
District Meeting	20.40
Candlemas Offering	42.50
Norway Relief	5.00
Pacific Lutheran College	75.65
Total	$ 1983.40
Centennial Thank Offering	811.55
Total	$ 2794.95

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 718.45
From Financial Secretary	5525.04
Christmas Offering (held in trust)	304.85
Total	$ 6248.94

Disbursements:	
Pastor's Salary	$ 2400.00
Organist's Salary	300.00
Choir Director	287.50
Custodian	270.00
Church Supplies	345.95
Music and Hymnals	154.20
Heat, Light, Power, Water	288.67
Postage and Publicity	86.38
Repairs and Maintenance	298.37
Insurance	110.76
Taxes	47.28
Interne Expense	40.00
Miscellaneous	309.49
1943 Christmas Offering (To Bldg. Fund)	135.50
Honorarium	50.00
Laundry	4.67
Addressing Machine	29.67
Adding Machine	17.50
Conf. Registration	[illegible]
Neil Ringer	[illegible]
Rev. & Mrs. Martin [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]

BENEVOLENCE TREASURER

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 130.44	Conference and Synod	$ 1000.00
From Financial Secretary	1983.40	Pension Assessments	247.12
		Tract Fund	10.00
Total	$ 2113.84	Pacific Lutheran College	75.65
		Norway Relief	33.65
		District Fare Fund	15.00
		Lutheran World Action	293.05
		Candlemas to Church Extension	42.50
		Christmas Boxes, Service Folk	147.57
		Newspaper Ad	2.40
		Total	$ 1867.[illegible]
		Balance, January 1, 1945	246.91
			[illegible]

CENTENNIAL THANK OFFERING

Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 212.50	Disbursements:	
From Financial Secretary	811.55	To Conference Treasurer	$ 1020.00
Total Receipts	$ 1024.05	For Postage	2.23
		Total Disbursements	$ 1022.23

Status of Centennial Offering:

Cash Paid in 1943	$ 3000.00
Cash Paid in 1944	1020.00
Credit Hospital Frat. Notes	450.00
Credit - War Bond	100.00
2 Hosp. Brd. Members - Cash	175.00
Total Credit with Conf.	$ 4745.00
Trinity Quota	$ 5012.50
Balance to be paid	$ 267.50

(Today, January 16, 1945, there is $26.82 towards the balance in the treasury. The balance is more than subscribed for and will come in this year.)

DEBT LIQUIDATION FUND

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 70.49	To Synod Church Extension	$ 1791.37
1943 Christmas Offering	135.50	Bank Service Charges	4.44
Members' Contributions	1624.64	Transfer to Alter Panel Fund	34.82
Total Receipts	$ 1830.63	Total Disbursements	$ 1830.63

[illegible]

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1944	[illegible]
Interest for 1943	[illegible]
Emil Rasmus Family	[illegible]
Pastor Arthur Larson	[illegible]
Nels J. Rasmussen	[illegible]
Josephine N. Hill	[illegible]
R. H. Tennant	[illegible]
Mrs. Roy E. Engbretson	[illegible]
From Debt Liquidation Fund	[illegible]
Total Cash on Hand in Savings	[illegible]

COUNCIL, SPIRITUAL DEFENSE

[illegible]		Disbursements:	
[illegible]	$ 15.60	Books and Mdse.	[illegible]
[illegible]	113.85	Postage	[illegible]
		Laundry	[illegible]
[illegible]	$ 129.45	Total Disbursements	[illegible]
		Balance, January 1, 1945	[illegible]

[illegible]

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JUNIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 10.88
Meetings	14.92
Offering for Colton Bible Camp	23.74
Fellowship Offering	27.44
Banquet Profit	15.25
Total	$ 92.23

Disbursements:

Colton Bible Camp	$ 23.74
Fellowship to Synod L. L.	27.44
Miscellaneous	6.67
Total	$ 57.85
Balance, Jan. 1, 1945	$ 34.38

LUTHER LEAGUE EDUCATIONAL FUND

On Hand in Education Fund in Savings Account	$ 112.88

CHURCH SINKING FUND

In Savings Acc't. with Int.	$ 104.30
Government Bond	18.50
Total	$ 122.80

BOY SCOUTS

Receipts and in Church Checking Account	$ 14.60

CHURCH SCHOOL

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 37.47
Sunday Offerings	389.97
Easter Offering	100.72
Vacation Bible School Offering	53.41
Initial Offering	9.72
Christmas Offering	42.25
Total	$ 633.54

Disbursements:

China Relief	$ 25.00
Lutheran World Action	25.00
Junior Mission Society	40.00
Luth. Service Center, cake	3.00
27 Bibles	50.12
25 Junior Hymnals	23.33
Aug. Bk. Concern, supplies	257.98
Astoria Stationery Co.	15.07
Confirmation Robe rentals	15.69
Bus and Stage Tickets	63.00
Postage and miscellaneous	42.96
Adding Machine ($\frac{1}{2}$)	17.50
Total Disbursements	$ 578.65
Balance, Jan. 1, 1945	$ 54.89

LADIES AID SOCIETY

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 592.76
Annual Sale and Dinners	803.14
Bond Money Collected	54.00
Cash Donations	31.30
Use of Kitchen	7.00
Total	$ 1488.20

Disbursements:

To Church Current Fund	$ 180.00
Three Gov't. Bonds	55.50
Merchandise	159.08
Flowers	8.00
Compass Mission	10.00
Lutheran Service Center	10.00
Bethphage Mission, Nebr.	10.00
To Savings Account	800.00
Total	$ 1232.[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1945	255.62
	$ 1488.[illegible]

Ladies Aid Savings Account

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944	$ 377.52
Collections at meetings	178.61
From Checking Account	800.00
Interest	6.38
[illegible] on hand in Savings	$ 1362.[illegible]

Ladies Aid Gov't. Bonds 8 at $18.50	$ 148.00
Total Ladies Aid Assets, Jan. 1, 1945	$ 1766.13

YOUNG WOMENS MISSIONARY SOCIETY

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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944		
Dues	$	30.00
Sustaining		15.00
Prayer Day Offering		.50
Life Membership		12.70
Honorary Life Membership		10.00
Offerings		25.00
		134.76
Total	$	227.96

Disbursements:

For Missionary Purposes	$	218.26
Balance, January 1, 1945		9.70

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944	$	57.33
Membership Dues		18.00
Offerings		81.46
Brotherhood Sunday		58.30
Donation for Piano (Navy)		150.00
Total	$	365.09

Disbursements:

Lutheran Service Center	$	20.00
Boy Scouts		17.65
Piano for Navy Ship		175.00
Conference Brotherhood		48.80
Rasmus Memorial Fund		10.00
Extension Ladder for church		20.16
Postage		6.45
Miscellaneous		7.50
Total	$	305.56
Balance, January 1, 1945		59.53
	[illegible]	[illegible].09

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944	$	20.69
Offerings at Meetings		39.02
Cooked Food Sale		25.60
Total	$	85.31

Disbursements:

Fair Linen for Altar	$	25.89
Muslin, Junior Choir Robes		10.80
Lutheran Service Center		5.00
Halloween Party for children		5.10
Christmas Party		4.40
Budget Ad		.90
Total	$	52.09
Balance, January 1, 1945		33.22
		[illegible]

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Receipts:

Balance, January 1, 1944	$	26.05
Dues from Members		44.75
Refunds and Miscellaneous		6.05
Total	$	76.85

Disbursements:

Prayer Books	$	26.77
Lutheran Service Center		10.00
2 Lutheran Companion Subs.		3.20
For Nursery Service (Sundays)		9.35
Flowers		2.50
Petty Cash		2.00
Candles for Service Flag		1.90
Miscellaneous		10.84
Total	$	66.[illegible]
Balance, January 1, 1945		10.29
		[illegible]

TRUSTEES' INVENTORY OF CHURCH PROPERTY

Net as of January 1, 1945:

Church Building	$ 23,400.00
Pews	2.880.00
Altar and Other Fixtures	[illegible]
Organ	[illegible]
Kitchen Equipment	[illegible]
Parsonage	[illegible]
Items of Improvements	[illegible]
Net Value	$ 33,964.87

BALANCE ON HAND IN ALL THE FUNDS OF THE CONGREGATION JANUARY 1, 1945

Current Fund	$ 1310.33
Benevolence Fund	246.91
Centennial Thank Offering	[illegible]
Altar Panel Fund	[illegible]
[illegible]itual Defense	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]

THE AUDIT.

We, the undersigned auditors of the congregation, have audited the accounts, receipts, treasury books and bank statements, and after making some minor corrections have found the same to be correct.

January 15, 1945

Signed: Ann Fausett
Josephine N. Hill
Ruth Mitchell.

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The following tellers were appointed by the pastor: Art Johanson, Mrs. Roy Engbretson. The official ballot, which represented the nominations by the Pastor's Cabinet, was passed out to voting members present and motion was made and carried that these nominations be accepted. A motion was made and passed that the nominees for Conference and District delegates receiving second highest votes be named as alternates.

Miss Josephine N. Hill was unanimously elected organist by acclamation.

Other results of the election were as follows:

Deacons (for 3-year period): C. A. Weaver, Edward Norgard, C. O. Moberg.

Trustees (for 3-year period): Fred Jensen, Raenor Hoyer, Victor Jackson.

Conference Delegate: Dr. R. W. Kullberg; R. H. Tennant, alternate.

District Delegate: Perry Mitchell; Clark V. Hedeen, alternate.

Emanuel Charity Board: Pastor J. Walton Kempe, E. W. Blomquist.

Auditors for 1945 accounts: Mrs. Mervin Fausett, Mrs. Perry Mitchell, Josephine N. Hill.

Ushers: Clark Hedeen, chm., Roy E. Engbretson, Elmer W. Blomquist, E. F. Hedeen, Gwynn A. Holt, Fred Jensen, Arthur Johanson, Dr. R. W. Kullberg, Perry Mitchell, Runar Rasmus, Richard E. Nordquist, William Seeberg, Lester Soderberg, Richard H. Tennant, Edward Westersund, Verne Andresen, Joe Carlson, Ronald Engbretson, Donald Hedeen, Trevor Jacobson, William Kullberg.

The following resolutions were read by Signe Enberg. Each resolution was adopted separately. All resolutions were adopted unanimously.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That we as members of the congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church are thankful to God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us, and for any spiritual advancement within our church during the past year.

2. That we continue to remember those in military service with our prayers, also cheering them in whatsoever manner possible.

3. That we are not unmindful of the supreme sacrifice made by our fellow member, John Henry Elfving, and sorrow experienced by his wife, parents and other members of his family.

4. That we express our sincere gratitude to Rev. J. W. Kempe and to the officers in every department of the Church organization for faithful service during the past year.

5. That we prove our loyalty to Christ and our church by diligent service and faithful attendance and that we rejoice over the attendance of many visitors at our Sunday services.

6. That those who have suffered bereavement during 1944 may find comfort in 1 Corinthians 15:54.

7. That we show added interest in Christian education by cheerfully [illegible] rt to increase the Church School and Vacation [illegible].

8. [illegible] the fact that in the [illegible] all the total sum of over [illegible].

9. That we rejoice over the fact that only $267.50 remains to be paid on our Centennial quota and that more than that is subscribed by our members. The final payment is due November 1, 1945.

10. That we are very thankful to God that Trinity Church is debt free for the first time since its organization and we ask His blessing on us in the furthering of the Kingdom's work.

11. That the new budget recommended by the Board be adopted by the congregation.

12. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]: Perry Mitchell, Dr. R. W. Kullberg and Mrs. [illegible] Mr. John E. Wicks and the Pastor as [illegible].

2. Art Windows: Mrs. C. O. Moberg, William Seeborg and Herman Slotte, with Mr. Wicks and the Pastor advisory members.

3. Interior decoration of sanctuary: Perry Mitchell, Elmer Blomquist and Signe Enberg, with Mr. Wicks and the Pastor advisory members.

B. That we act upon the recommendation of the Pastor that steps be taken to procure for the sanctuary as soon as possible a small grand piano. The one in the sanctuary is needed in the Church School work.

C. That the Board of Administration be authorized to investigate the matter of a new parsonage and bring its recommendations to the congregation for action.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) V. William Seeborg
Signe Enberg.

BUDGETS FOR 1945 RECOMMENDED BY THE
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Current Budget:		Benevolent Budget:	
Pastor's Salary	$ 2,700.00	Conference and Synod	$ 1,075.00
Choir Director	400.00	Pension Assessments	210.00
Organist	300.00	District Fare Fund	15.00
Custodian	420.00	Miscellaneous Requests	50.00
Office Assistant	600.00	Service Men's Gifts	200.00
Light, Heat, Power and Water	300.00	Candlemas Church Extension	50.00
Taxes	50.00	Lutheran World Action	300.00
Insurance	110.00	Pacific Lutheran College	50.00
Repairs and Maintenance	300.00	China Relief	50.00
Church Supplies	250.00		
Postage and Publicity	75.00	Total	$ 2,000.00
Music and Hymnals	50.00		
Miscellaneous	190.00		
Total	$ 5,745.00		

Motion was made and carried that the Board of Administration be authorized to accept the minutes of this meeting.

A vote by secret ballot was taken on whether a mimeographed copy of contributions by the members should be made. The motion was voted down.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting closed with prayer and Benediction by the Pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. Kullberg M.D.
Secretary

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

AUGUST 29, 1945.

Minutes of the special congregational meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, held August 29, 1945, 8:00 p.m.

Elmer W. Blomquist was elected Secretary Pro-Temp to serve until the regular Secretary, Dr. R. W. Kullberg, arrived.

The meeting was opened with the singing of Hymn No. 644 by the congregation.

Pastor J. Walton Kempe read Scripture from Ephesians 4:1-16 and led in prayer. This was followed by the singing of Hymn No. [illegible].

This Special Meeting of the congregation was called for the purpose of calling a pastor to succeed Pastor Kempe; also to act upon Pastor Kempe's resignation, read to the congregation on July 8.

Following the devotions the Special Business Session was declared opened In The Name of The Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Mr. Clark V. Hedeen, secretary of the Board of Administration, presented the following recommendation from the Board;

> "Inasmuch as Pastor J. Walton Kempe has received a pastor's call to Chisago Lake Lutheran Church, Center City, Minnesota, which he intends to accept; and since he has tendered his resignation to Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, to wit, the Board of Administration of Trinity Lutheran Church, with sincere regret, recommend that his resignation be accepted."

A motion was made and seconded and carried, that, this recommendation be adopted and the resignation regretfully accepted.

For successor to Pastor J. Walton Kempe, the Church Council placed in nomination the name of Pastor Paul V. Berggren of Stockton, California.

This nomination was seconded and unanimously accepted.

After questions had been answered concerning this candidate, the congregation voted by ballot as follows:
There were 76 voting members present; 76 votes were cast and Pastor Berggren was unanimously elected.

The Church Council recommended that Pastor Paul V. Berggren be offered a salary of $2700.00 per year, with parsonage, 30 days vacation, and telephone service. Also that $300.00 be offered for moving expenses. This recommendation was seconded by Richard H. Tennant.
After some discussion the recommendation was unanimously adopted by the congregation.

Pastor Kempe announced that Pastor Adolf Serenius of Nye, Wisconsin, had been called by the Church Council to serve as pastor during the interim. He has not yet replied.

Motion was made by Mr. C. O. Moberg and seconded by Mr. C. A. Weaver to adjourn. Carried.

The meeting closed with Hymn No. 645 and the reading of the Benediction.

R. W. Kullberg, M.D.
Secretary.

This minutes were approved by
The Board of Administration,
September 10, 1945.

Clark V. Hedeen
Secretary of Board.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

November 27, 1945

Minutes of the special congregational meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, held November 27, 1945, 8:00 P. M.

Pastor Carl Sodergren, vice-pastor, was introduced by V. William Seeborg, chairman of the Board of Administration.

[illegible] prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

[illegible] secretary of the Church Board:

> At a meeting of the Church Council held on November 12, 1945, a motion was made and unanimously carried calling a special meeting of the congregation for 8 P.M. November 27, 1945 to consider the following matters:
>
> (1) To vote on the candidacy of Pastor Roy W. Ryden of San Francisco, California to become Pastor of Trinity;
>
> (2) To vote on the following recommendations: that Pastor Ryden be offered a salary of $2700 per year with parsonage and telephone, a 30-day annual vacation and $300 moving expense.

Motion was made and seconded that the first recommendation be accepted. Mr. Seeborg spoke briefly concerning the candidate. Mr. Herman Blotte spoke regarding the recommendations of the Board. After discussing the candidate, ballots were distributed by Clark Hedeen, Donald Hedeen, William Kullberg, and Elmer Blomquist. The results of the secret ballot were: 87 votes cast; 86 yes and 1 no.

The second recommendation was passed by unanimous vote of the congregation, following a discussion of each item.

Motion was made and passed that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. R. W. Kullberg, [illegible]

Astoria, Oregon
November 27, 1945

Rev. Roy W. Ryden
1332 Vermont Street
San Francisco 10, Calif.

Grace and Peace!

We, the undersigned, members of the Church Council of the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Astoria, Oregon, hereby respectfully extend to you a call to become the pastor of the above congregation with a yearly salary of $2700 with parsonage and telephone, a 30-day annual vacation and $300 moving expense.

The congregational meeting for the purpose of calling a pastor was duly announced as prescribed by the constitution, and we enclose herewith a correct extract of the record of the proceedings at the above meeting. We would respectfully request that the call be answered as soon as possible. We sincerely hope that you may find it to be in accordance with God's will to give to this call your affirmative answer.

On behalf of the congregation,

Sincerely,

Minutes of the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 8, 1946
2:00 P. M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the vice-pastor, Rev. Carl W. Sodergren, in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. A hymn was sung by the congregation, followed by devotions led by [illegible], student pastor. He chose as his text Romans 12.

Dr. R. W. Kullberg was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

In place of the pastor's usual report, a statistical summary of the church's activities during the year was read by Pastor Sodergren, as follows:

MEMBERSHIP

Number of Members	
Confirmed:	
Men	196
Women	269
Total	465
Children	175
Increase	
Children:	
By Baptism, children of members	14
By Baptism, children of non-members	20
Received with parents	6
Communicants:	
By Conf., children of members	3
By Conf., children of non-members	8
By Adult Baptism	3
By Confession or Confirmation	11
By Re-affirmation	7
By transfer	11
Decrease	
Communicants;	
Deceased	2
By transfer	7
Otherwise	5
Children:	
Deaths	1
Total Confirmed Increase	40
Total Confirmed Decrease	14
Couples Married	14
Burials	33

CHURCH SCHOOL

Teachers and Officers	23
Pupils:	
Not Confirmed	95
Confirmed	16
Cradle Roll	74

The chairman of the Pastor's Cabinet submitted the report of the nominating committee. The official ballot was distributed and the report was accepted by the congregation. Mrs. William Seeborg, Mrs. Clark Hedeen and Mrs. Roy Engbretson were appointed tellers by the chairman. 66 ballots were cast and the following officers were elected:

Deacons (for 3-year period): Dr. R. W. Kullberg, Edgar Johnson, Nels Rasmussen, Jr.

Trustees (for 3-year period): Ed Westersund, E. R. Pearson, Perry Mitchell.

Church School Superintendent: Miss Eleanor Iverson.

Organist: Miss Josephine N. Hill.

Conference Delegate: Dr. R. W. Kullberg, William Seeborg alternate.

District Delegate: Bernard Lund, Elmer Blomquist alternate.

Emanuel Hospital Charity Board: Ed Westersund, 3 yrs., C. A. Weaver, 3 yrs., Clark Hedeen, 3 yrs., Herman Slotte, 1 yr.

Auditors for 1946 accounts: Mrs. Marvin Fausett, Eleanor Iverson, Mrs. Perry Mitchell.

The financial reports were submitted by the church treasurer, Elmer Blomquist. Motion was made and carried that the reports be accepted. Action on the current 1946 budget, motion was made and carried that the budget for salary be changed from $300 to $420. Motion was made and passed that the budget for the local church, as amended, be accepted. Discussing the 1946 Benevolent budget, Rev. Soderegren spoke at length on Lutheran World Action and explaining the reason for setting aside $2000 for this item. Following are the financial reports of the church and its societies, and budgets for the coming year:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:	
Initial Offering	43.60
Envelopes Offering	4,123.75
Loose Offering	910.97
Miscellaneous	2.00
Total	$5,080.32

To Benevolent Treasurer:	
Envelope Offering	1,292.58
Loose Offering	330.86
Christmas Offering	321.21
Miscellaneous	664.10
Centennial Fund	252.50
Total	2,861.25
To Panel Fund	167.65
Total	$8,109.22

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:		
Balance Jan. 1, 1945		1,310.33
January	270.55	
February	339.55	
March	545.80	1,155.90
April	577.40	
May	418.51	
June	341.54	1,337.45
July	269.15	
August	396.04	
September	458.50	1,123,69
October	472.07	
November	403.97	
December	587.24	1,463.28
Total		$6,390.65

Disbursements:	
Pastor's Salary	2,265.25
Organist's Salary	300.00
Choir Director	250.00
Custodian's Salary	448.00
Church Supplies	355.79
Misc. and Hymnals	17.34
Heat, Light and Water	304.80
Postage and Publicity	127.03
Repairs and Maintenance	395.97
Insurance	227.38
Office Help	288.25
Taxes	42.03
Miscellaneous	348.34
Total	5,334.18
Balance Dec. 31, 1945	1,056.47

BENEVOLENT TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1945	246.91
Receipts from Finan. Sec.	2,608.75
Total	$2,855.66

Disbursements:	
Conference Budget	580.00
Candlemas	50.00
Pension Fund	210.00
Lutheran World Action	390.00
Tract Fund	10.00
Pacific Lutheran College	14.71
Miscellaneous	42.38
Total	1,267.09
Balance Jan. 1, 1946	$1,588.57

Centennial Fund

Bal. Jan 1, 1945	1.82
Received from Financial Sec'y.	252.50
	254.32

Disbursements	182.00
Bal. Jan 1, 1946	72.32

CHURCH SCHOOL

Receipts:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1945	54.89
Sunday Offerings	414.28
Easter Offerings	137.95
Robe Rental	10.00
Christmas Offering	41.40
Total	$658.52

Disbursements:	
Church School Supplies	371.18
Primary School Supplies	7.20
Miscellaneous Supplies	10.80
Bus Tickets	48.00
Bell Ringing	9.00
Flowers	13.50
Piano Moving	2.08
Lutheran World Action	25.00
Junior Missionary Society	50.00
Total	536.76
Balance Jan. 1, 1946	$121.76

TRINITY LADIES AID

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance, Jan. 1, 1945	255.62	Two Government Bonds	37.00
Bond Money Collected	33.81	Merchandise	157.27
Cash Donations	89.25	Compass Mission	22.40
Annual Sale and Luncheons	338.23	Red Cross	8.00
Rummage Sale	539.18	Lutheran Service Center	10.00
Sale of Cook Books	71.75	Transfer from checking to Savings Account	800.00
Total	$1,327.84		$1,039.67
		Balance Jan. 1, 1946	$288.17

Ladies Aid Savings Account

Receipts:		
Balance, Jan. 1, 1945	1,362.51	No disbursements
Ladies Aid Collections	146.14	
Trans. from Checking Acct.	800.00	
Interest	4.50	
Total	$2,313.15	

Ladies Aid (other assets)
10 Government Bonds @ $18.50

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1945	9.70	Dues	15.50
Dues	15.50	Bible Institute (Seattle)	9.55
Offerings and Contributions	152.22	Home Missions	32.00
Boxes of Blessings	17.07	China Relief	3.20
Life Membership	20.00	Anna Olson's Salary	33.00
		Post War Emergency Fund	12.25
Total	$214.49	District Contigent Fund	6.40
		Life Membership	20.00
		Administration Fund	3.20
		My Missionary for a Day	2.50
		Christmas Cheer	5.00
		Printing of Conf. Minutes	1.60
		Pacific Lutheran College	6.00
		Jewish Missions	8.01
		Boxes of Blessings	17.07
		Dine Books	10.00
		Literature Fund	1.00
		Augustana Centennial	5.00
		W.M.S. Program Packet	1.15
		Bethphage Mission	6.10
		Prayer Day	12.85
		Total	211.38
		Cash on hand 1-1-46	$3.11

PLAQUE FUND

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1945	41.36	Stamps	15.45
January Birthday Social	18.37	Total	15.45
June Birthday Social	5.00		
September Birthday Social	51.08	Balance Jan. 1, 1946	$100.36
Total	$115.81		

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1945	59.53	Brotherhood Dues	26.00
Membership Dues	17.00	Advertising and Publicity	5.40
Offerings, etc.	75.86	Luth. Ministerial Ass'n.	5.00
		Boy Scouts and Misc.	58.11
Total	[illegible].33	Total	94.51
		Balance Jan. 1, 1946	$57.38

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
January 1, 1945 balance	10.29	Red Cross	2.50
Dues Collected	46.75	Astoria Budget	5.40
		Lutheran World Action	5.00
Total	$57.04	Candles	3.00
		Lutheran Companion	3.10
		Picnic Expense	1.20
		Augustana Book Concern	8.42
		Nursery Expense	21.00
		Total	49.[illegible]
		Balance Jan. 1, 1946	$ 7.4[illegible]

Junior Luther League

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1945	34.38	Fellowship Collection	12.80
Collections	38.30	Colton Camp	10.00
		Conf. Luther League Dues	18.00
Total	72.68	Miscellaneous	14.09
		Supplies	3.40
		Total	58.29
		Balance Jan. 1, 1946	$14.39

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1945	33.22	Halloween Party	7.50
Total Offerings	42.03	Supplies	3.00
Cooked Food Sale	38.35	Broadcast Ministerial Assn.	5.00
		Purchase of Rug	10.00
Total	$113.60	Total	$25.50
		Balance Jan. 1, 1946	[illegible].10

ALTAR PANEL FUND

Receipts:		
Balance Jan. 1, 1945 (Savings Account)		361.79
Memorial Donations	323.15	
Int. on Bank Bal. Dec. 31, 1945	5.53	328.68
Balance Jan. 1, 1946		$690.47

LUTHER LEAGUE EDUCATIONAL FUND

Cash in Savings Account	$110.00
Interest	4.00
Total	$114.00

TRINITY LUTHERAN RESERVE FUND

Cash in Savings Account	100.00
Interest	5.34
	105.34
Gov't. Bond - Safety Deposit Box	18.50
Total	$1[illegible].34

SENIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Balance January 1, 1945 $ 7.73 (Inactive in 1945)

We, the undersigned auditors of the Church, have audited the reports, receipts, treasury books and bank statements, and after several adjustments, believe same to be correct.

Signed: [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

BUDGETS FOR 1946

Current:

Pastor's Salary	2,700.00
Choir Director	400.00
Organist	300.00
Custodian	420.00
Office Assistant	600.00
Utilities	350.00
Taxes	50.00
Insurance	110.00
Repairs and Maintenance	300.00
Church Supplies	350.00
Postage & Publicity	100.00
Misc. and Hymnals	50.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Car Expense	150.00
Total	$6,130.00

Benevolent:

Conference & Synod	1,200.00
Pension Assessment	210.00
District Fare	15.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
Service Men	50.00
Candlemas Extension	50.00
Lutheran World Action	2,000.00
Pacific Lutheran College	50.00
China Relief	50.00
Colton Bible Camp Chapel	75.00
Total	$3,750.00

The following resolutions were read by William Seeborg. Each item was passed on separately. Motion made and carried that Mr. Seeborg's name be included in Item 6. The secretary was instructed to write those persons mentioned in Item 6, enclosing a copy of the resolutions, who were not present at the meeting.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That we, as members of the congregation of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church are thankful to God for the many and varied blessings He has bestowed upon us during the past year.

2. That we offer our humble gratitude to God for the end of World War II and that we earnestly pray our Heavenly Father for an early cessation of the lesser conflicts still raging.

3. That we pray God's guidance upon our world leaders to the end that greater justice in the interest of peace might be brought about.

4. That those who have suffered bereavement during 1945, especially the family of Edward Elfving who died while in the service of our Country, may find comfort in Thess. 4: 13 & 14.

5. That we continue to remember those still in the armed services with our prayers.

6. That we express our sincere gratitude to our former pastor, Rev. J. Walton Kempe for his service to Trinity and that we wish him happiness and God's blessing in his new charge. And also, that we are thankful to Rev. Carl W. Sodergren who has served as our vice-pastor; to Rev. Alexander Borrevik, who has been of immeasurable help during the vacancy; to Mr. Henry Norquist, student pastor, for his work among us; to V. William Seeborg, who has served as chairman of the Board; and to the others who have brought us the Word of God and the Sacraments. We are also grateful that Rev. Roy Ryden of San Francisco has seen fit to accept the call to become Trinity's next pastor, and we look forward to his guidance and leadership in the near future.

7. That we are grateful to the officers and functionaries in every department of the church organization who in one way or another have contributed to the church work.

8. That we show added interest in Christian education by cheerfully cooperating in the effort to increase the Church School and Vacation Bible School attendance.

9. That we urge our membership to be especially generous to the Lutheran World Action and that Trinity's quota might be filled early.

10. That we thank God for any spiritual advancement in our Church and that we pray for His Grace and Blessing in all our efforts in the work of His Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Signe Enberg
V. William Seeborg
Perry Mitchell

The following resolution by the Church Cabinet was read by Clark Hedeen, secretary of the Cabinet, and passed by the congregation:

The Church Cabinet recommends that, instead of electing ushers, an ushers' committee be elected to appoint and train ushers. It is further recommended that Nels Jacobsen, Jr., Elmer Blomquist, Clark Hedeen and William Seeborg be elected to this committee.

Motion was made and carried that the minutes of this meeting be approved by the Board of Administration.

Two songs were sung by the congregation, followed by a solo by Mr. Norquist.

William Seeborg expressed his sentiments as Chairman of the Board during the vacancy. He thanked the congregation for its cooperation during this period, and expressed particular thanks to Lionel Hicks as choir director and to Clark Jensen for faithful secretarial work.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

K. W. Kullberg M.D.
K. W. Kullberg, M. D., Secretary

These minutes were approved by
The Board of Administration,

E. H. Johnson 11/4/46.
Secretary of the Board

Special Meeting, October 23, 1946

of the

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

The meeting opened with the singing of hymn no. 186 followed by the reading of II Corinthians 11: 21 - 33 and prayer by Pastor Roy W. Ryden.

Mr. Edgar Johnson, Secretary of the Board of Administration, read the motion as passed by the Board which stated the purpose of the meeting: "A special meeting of the congregation be called to consider the securing of a new parsonage and the present parsonage be used as an educational building."

A letter was read by Pastor Ryden describing the crowded conditions that prevail in the various departments of the Church School.

Mr. William Seeborg moved "that the Trinity Lutheran Congregation obtain a parsonage and convert the present parsonage to educational purposes."

The motion was seconded by Dr. J.B.Lund.

The motion was passed (yes - 36, no - 13) by secret ballot.

A motion was made by Mr. Sven Lund that a committe of six be elected and that in said election at least nine be nominated. Seconded by Dr. J.B. Lund.

The motion carried.

Nominations made from the floor were as follows: Herman Slottee, John Wicks, Perry Mitchell, Mr. Westersund, Edhar Johnson, Dr. Kullberg, Sven Lund, Miss. Singne Engberg, C.O. Moberg, Mrs. Fritz Elfving, Mrs. Nyland, C.W. Weaver, Wm. Seeborg, Fred Jenson, Dr. Lund, Mrs. Amundsen, Mr. Elfving.

The following elected: Herman Slotte, John Wicks, Perry Mitchell, Dr. Kullberg, Miss. Signe Engberg, and Mrs. F. Elfving with Pastor Ryden serving Ex-officio.

MSC: The meeting be closed.

Benediction.

R. W. Kullberg, M.D.
Secretary

Approved by Board

E. Johnson
Sec. of the Board

Minutes of the Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 8, 1947
8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. A hymn was sung by the congregation, followed by scripture reading and prayer by Pastor Roy W. Ryden.

Dr. J.B. Lund was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

Pastor Ryden read his annual report, as follows:

To The Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace!

The final charge that the Lord gave to His disciples before His ascension was a missionary charge; "Ye shall be my witnesses". That charge has never been withdrawn, and the promise of His abiding presence is intimatley linked with the Church's acceptance of that mandate in word and deed.

The years pass quickly as evidenced by the fact that we are again assembled at the annual congregational meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church. Many and varied have been the opportunities for bearing witness to ourselves, to our children and to those outside of the fellowship of the Church. I have chosen to make this report a survey of the witness possibilities of this congregation.

It is given unto us -

I. To Bear Witness Through Our Worship.

It is at worship particularly that we bear witness to our oneness,- oneness with God and with each other. It is well expressed in one of our chorales, "Thus may we abide in union, with each other and the Lord; and possess in sweet communion, joys which earth cannot afford."

Central in our worship is the Blessed Sacrament. This is the sacrament of forgiveness, apart from which there can be no real fellowship. And this is the sacrament of love and unity.

During the past year Holy Communion has been celebrated 6 times, with a total communing registration of 640. The average being 106.

During the past year (52 Sundays) our total attendance, by exact count has been 6,289, averaging only 120. The average increases as we add to this the 904 who have worshipped with us upon special occasions, giving us a total of 7,193 and an average (or over all picture) of 150.

Apart from those who were confined to their homes because of illness, I am sure there is not a single member who could not have been at worship more of less regularly if he or she wanted to be. Strategicaly located as our church is, our witness through worship should be tremendously effective if we had full house every Sunday morning.

No congregation is making progress when the spiritual vitality is lessened by indifference, gross neglect, and by those who think that the sole progress of the church is weighed in brick and mortar. It is impossible to rejoice in a truly christian way, unless we first clean out the dead bones and cobwobs of jealousy and ermity toward one another by the blood of the Lamb of God, and present a united spiritual front of love and unity.

It is given to us -

II. To Bear Witness Through [illegible]

[illegible] the home goes, so goes the Church in the parish. And yet, I [illegible] how may say grace at [illegible]; or how much living [illegible] there is very little [illegible] few are [illegible] to church [illegible] the [illegible] there is [illegible] the [illegible] atmosphere, the economic, and the [illegible] of their [illegible].

It is given to us -

III. To Bear Witness Through Our Service.

I am thinking particularl [illegible] service to their church. There is a host of willi [illegible]. They are teachers and officers of the Church Sch [illegible] members of the chorus, they serve on the church board; they are the members and officers of the various organizations; they are the ushers, organists, and custodians; yea, all who witness through the service mediums of the church.

And yet, much that needs to be done is left undone because the number of members who give service to their church is small when one considers th size of the congregation and the work to be done. There are those who are accustomed to seeing everything in church in good order and never pause to ponder what is required to keep the [illegible] there were more volunteers, There is not amember who would [illegible] service if assistance was volunteered.

It is given to us -

IV. To Bear Witness Through Our Parish Education.

The Church School is the [illegible] the Church and it is the Church School's sacred task not only to instruct, but also to integrate the children into the life of the church. Together we must bend our efforts to teach them and to keep them.

In the midst of St. Paul's busy missionary journies in Asia Minor came a cry from Macedonia, an urgent plea for help, and it might be added, from our Church School, if one is attentive to the work of the school, for more teachers. With the increase in membership and the average Sunday attendance now 82 (total in attendance) the situation is well nigh out of hand because of a depleated teaching staff. With the increased average attendance and ~~new~~ new teaching methods larger quarters are needed, that our teaching may be most effective. I would ask the congregation to follow effectively but surely the motion passed at the special congregational meeting and the resolutions from the Parsonage Committee.

Before leaving our Parish Education Program I would make this comment; I would urge all teachers to visit the homes of their pupils at least once during the year. Without this interest on the part of the teachers, our absenteeism in the School will remain high, and our losses great.

It is given to us -

V. To Bear Witness Through Our Financial Support.

The manner in which we support our church is an indication of what the church means to us. It is clear to every member that the church does have expenses. We cannot operate our homes without considerable cost; and the cost of maintaing our home is considerably greater today than it was even a year ago. How can we operate our church without considerable cost? If the operating costs are greater in home and business, it is evident that the same rate of increased cost is necessary to operate the church as well.

The Financial Secretary reports that [illegible],309.43 cleared through her books. The average contribution per [illegible] carried until December 31, 1946 is only $17.02 which falls to an all time low of the Stewardship of means in this congregation.

The budget for 1947, which will be presented by the Budget Committee this even- [illegible] therefore, [illegible] separate need. Also for our support this year will be the building [illegible] the committee.

[illegible] years to come I would like to inject the proper means of support- [illegible] the congregation. To minister at baptisms, weddings, [illegible] funerals is part of the pastors work as [illegible] received for baptisms, weddings, and funerals should be given to the church. [illegible] that I could not make good use of the money myself, it is rather a [illegible] that is involved. It would be up to the congregation, in turn, to see to [illegible] pastor and all other full time servants of the congregation are properly [illegible].

[illegible]

definite effort on the part of the con [illegible] the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the [illegible] whole community. If this is to be [illegible] ingness to remove any hinderanc[illegible].

[illegible] rs of the congregation [illegible], particularly on new [illegible]. We can never be too zealous [illegible]

May it also be upon the hearts of our members to pray, that out of our congregation may arise pastors, missionaries, parish workers, parish secretaries and ministers of music. May all who seek such servie find God's direction.

In Memorium

Nine communicant members and one baptized child were alled to their eternal reward during the year. As we read their names we pause to pay them tribute and pray that we might be kept in the faith even to the end:

Mrs. Jennie Hughes
Mrs. Sophie Carlstrom
Mrs. Johana Norberg
Mrs. Ida Carlson
Mrs. Maria Lidberg
Mr. Matt Nyland
Mrs. Gunhild Jackson
Mrs. Pauline Bergstrom
Janice Ilene Holmstrom (child)

Peace be to their memory!

Parish Statistics

The following is a report of accessions, dismissals, and pastoral acts for the year:

1. Membership Increases

By Baptism:		
	Children	18
	Adults	3
By Confirmation:		
	Children	11
	Adults	6
By Reaffirming of Faith		5
By Letter of Transfer		9
	total confirmed increase	31

2. Membership Decreases

By Death		
	Children	[illegible]
	Adults	[illegible]
By Letter of Transfer		[illegible]
Other Losses		78

[illegible] ship - December 31, 1946

[illegible]

[illegible] will reveal that the [illegible] for new adventures, and [illegible].

Very Sincerely,

Roy W. Ryden.

Astoria, Oregon
January 8, 1947

MSC that the Pastoral report be accepted as read.

Current Budget 1947	
Pastor's Salary	$ 2,700.00
Pastor's Assistant	75.00
Choir Director	500.00
Organist	300.00
Custodian	420.00
Office Assistant	300.00
Utilities Church	450.00
Utilities Parsonage	125.00
Taxes	75.00
Insurance	150.00
Repairs and Maintance	1,000.00
Church Supplies	225.00
Hymnals and Music	100.00
Postage and Publicity	200.00
Car Expense	150.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
	$ 7,020.00

Benevolence Budget 1947	
Conference and Synod	$ 1,200.00
Pension Assessment	210.00
District Fares	36.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Church Extension	50.00
Paicfic Luth. College	25.00
Amer. Bible Society	15.00
Aug. Tract Fund	15.00
Col. Conf. Home	25.00
China Relief	50.00
School Teachers Seminar	100.00
	$ 1,826.00

Total Budget	
Benevolence	$ 1,826.00
Current	7,020.00

MSC that this report be accepted as given.

The following financial statements were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:	
Initial Offering	$ 21.80
Envelopes	4448.39
Loose	735.45
Miscellaneous	160.76
Panel Fund	7.25
Total	$ 5373.75

To Benevolent Treasurer:	
Envelope Offering	$ 1601.57
Loose	212.26
Miscellaneous	1121.35
Total	$ 2935.68

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance, January 1, 1946	$ 1056.47
Jan. Feb. Mar.	1068.53
Apr. May June	1548.19
July Aug. Sept.	1099.72
Oct. Nov. Dec.	1657.11
Total	$ 6430.02

Disbursements:	
Pastor's Salary	$ 2815.00
Organist	285.00
Choir Director	150.00
Custodian	367.00
Church Supplies	211.88
Music and Hymnals	93.16
Postage and Publicity	217.70
Repairs and Maintance	436.37
Insurance and Taxes	153.14
Office Help	26.00
Car Allowance	150.00
Miscellaneous	216.87
Utilities	380.63
Total	$ 5502.75

BENEVOLENCE TREASURER

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Cash on hand January 1, 1946	$ 1660.89	Conference	$ 1475.00
Receipts from Fin. Sect.	2835.68	Benevolence	335.00
Total	$ 4496.57	Tract Fund	10.00
		Colton Bldg. Fund	75.00
		Luth. World Action	2100.00
		Amer. Bible Society	10.00
		P.L. College	22.00
		Col. Con. Home	35.00
		Miscellaneous	17.50
		Total	$ 4080.00
		Balance Jan. 1, 1947	$ 416.57

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance January 1, 1946	$ 88.10	Crystal Laundry	$ 2.66
Total Offerings	47.12	Cake and Ice Cream	4.90
Tea and Fancy Work Sale	147.20	Expenses for Tea	14.28
Total	$ 282.42	Evangel Picture Co.	76.75
		Total	$ 98.59
		Balance Jan. 1, 1947	$ 183.83

CHURCH SCHOOL

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance January 1, 1946	$ 121.76	Augustana Book Con.	$ 236.48
Sunday Offerings	407.86	Supplies	76.52
Easter	85.00	Flowers	17.00
Christmas	59.02	Evangel Pict. Ser.	43.35
Total	$ 673.63	Women's Miss. Soc.	1.00
		Miscellaneous	26.65
		Total	$ 392.00
		Balance Jan.1, 1947	$ 281.63

PLAQUE FUND

No receipts in 1946
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1947 $ 99.96

PAVEL FUND

Receipts:	
Balance January 1, 1946	$ 690.47
Receipts for 1946	51.30
Interest for 1946	7.17
Total	$ 748.94

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance January 1, 1946	$ 7.42	Nursery Expense	$ 26.00
Dues collected	56.50	Miscellaneous	10.50
Total	$ 63.93	Supplies	5.00
		Total	$ 41.50
		Balance Jan. 1, 1947	$ 22.42

TRINITY LADIES AID

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance January 1, 1946	$ 288.17	Merchandise	$ 91.34
Cash Donations	47.50	Rugs for Parsonage	180.00
Annual Sale & Dinner	471.95	Gifts	20.00
Dollar Day Donations	50.00	Church Treasury	130.76
Sale of Cook Books	4.75	Red Cross	5.00
Total	$ 862.37	Bethphage	10.00
		Total	$ 437.10
		Balance Jan. 1, 1947	$ 425.27

LADIES SAVINGS ACCOUNT

[illegible]

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance January 1, 1946	$ 3.11	W.M.S. Express Charges	$ 10.52
Dues	15.00	Anna Olson's Salary	33.00
Offerings & Contributions	$ 199.00	Dues	15.00
Total	$ 217.46	Dime Books	6.55
		Home Missions	30.00
		My Miss. for a Day	12.00
		Jewish Missions	8.00
		Christmas Cheer	5.00
		Administration Fund	3.00
		Printing of Conf. Minutes	1.50
		Literature Fund	2.00
		Compass Mission (Seattle)	5.00
		Bethphage (In memoriam)	12.50
		P.L. College	6.00
		District Contingent Fund	4.00
		Boxes of Blessings	15.00
		Foreign Missions	4.00
		Africa Missions	3.79
		China Relief	4.00
		Deaconess Institute	7.00
		Life Member	10.00
		Prayer Day Offering	15.00
		Augustana Nursery	4.00
		Total	$ 217.46
		Balance Jan. 1, 1947	$ 000.00

TRINITY LUTHER LEAGUE

Receipts:		Disbursements:	
Balance January 1, 1946	$ 14.39	Fellowship Offering	$ 10.00
Dues	48.30	Conf. L.L. Dues	20.00
Total	$ 62.69	Supplies	3.70
		Miscellaneous	13.60
		Total	$ 47.30
		Balance Jan. 1, 1947	$ 15.39 - 7 73

PARSONAGE FUND

Receipts for 1946	$ 250.00
Total	$ 250.00

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We, the suditors of Trinity Lutheran Church herewith report the auditing of the records of the various church funds.

Errors have been corrected and the books are now in good order.

May we recommend that hereafter the various treasureres check their balances quarterly with the church cashier, thereby simplifying the checking on any discrepancy.

January 6, 1947

Respectfully submitted,
Signed: Ann Fausett
Eleanor Iversen
Ruth Mitchell

[illegible] tellers were appointed by the pastor: Chester Weaver, Mrs. [illegible]

[illegible] ed that [illegible] Theo. Olson for trustees and Nels Rasmussen for School Supt. [illegible] ade and passed that the nominees for Conference and District delegates [illegible] highest votes be named as alternates.

[illegible] usly elected organist.

[illegible] Church School Supt.

The following [illegible]
opted separately. [illegible]

[illegible]:

1. [illegible]

2. [illegible] pastor for his understanding [illegible] spiritual needs, and that we be one with our pastor in the building of [illegible] Kingdom among us.

3. That we express our sincere gratitude and thanks to all the officers and organizations of the congregation, as well as to all others [illegible] with untiring zeal an[illegible].

4. That those who have suffered bereavement during 1946 may find comfort in John 3: 17.

5. That we adhere to the Stewardship program of Spirit Filling, Living and Giving by more active participation in services of worship, by the daily reading of God's Word and the devotional "Thy Kingdom Come", by consistently living our Christian faith and bring to God our gifts of love for the furtherance of His Kingdom among all people.
For all this we seek Thy guidance, O Lord.

6. That we are grateful for the increase in membership, but we urge all our members to become missionary minded in upbuilding the membership of our Church.

7. That we pray God to pour out the full measure of His Holy Spirit upon the world leaders, that they may in their decisions follow Him, who is the Prince of Peace.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Clark Hedeen
Victor Jackson
Edgar Johnson
Richard Tennant.

Resolutions from the Parsonage Committee.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. This resolution was ammended and MSC to read as follows:
   That lots, 9 and 10, of block 16 of Shively's Astoria, or any other suitable lots be purchased for a parsonage.

2. MSC that if building of parsonage is delayed that a home be secured for the pastor's family.

3. MSC that the Parish House be prepared , by an elected committee, for our Church School, youth and other organizations as soon as possible.
   a. that a list of furniture needed be prepared and submitted to the congregation.
   b. that proper supervision be maintained and combined with custodian service for the entire church.

Respectfully submitted,
Parsonage Committee.

[illegible]:

1. [illegible] that Section 4 of Article VII be chaned to read: To constitute a quorum [illegible] of business at a meeting of the congregation 18 per cent [illegible].

2. [illegible] 1 appointment for the offices of cashier and financial [illegible] to not more than three consecutive appointments.

3. [illegible]

Minutes of the Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 5, 1948
8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. A hymn, "The Church's One Foundation", was sung by the congregation, followed by scripture reading (II Timothy 1. 7-10) and prayer by Pastor Roy W. Ryden.

Mr. S. B. Lund was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

Pastor Ryden read his annual report, as follows:

To The Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace'.

"Jesus went up into the temple, and taught." And to those who questioned His doctrine Jesus made this reply: "My doctrine is not mine, but His that sent me." The teaching which He delivered before them had its source not in His own knowledge, but in Him that sent Him. He was not giving them a summary of human ideas and philosophy, but the eternal truth of His Heavenly Father. Note the careful way in which Christ expresses Himself; it is His doctrine, and yet it is not His doctrine. What He was teaching was the truth; and incidentially it was the revelation of the innermost essence of God. This same conviction must live in the heart of every true preacher of the Gospel, of every believer in Christ.

In like manner the doctrine of the Church, which it is her holy calling to proclaim in truth and purity, is not her own, but His that created the Church, even Jesus Christ. Today, if the Church is to remain a righteous vessel, meet of holding and distributing the Means of Grace, she must shun all false doctrine of men and harken not to the diverse bable of the world. On the basis of this thought the pastor submits a report of the year's activities. Let us examine ourselves as to whether or not we have been true vessels of God's love.

"Jesus went up into the temple'....'as His custom was"--and to those who love God, worship has the highest priority. The Christian may be found in the sanctuary every Sunday unless prevented by sickness or some other reason which he can conscientiously bring to the throne of God.

"Central in our worship is the Blessed Sacrament. This is the sacrament of forgiveness, apart from which there can be no real fellowship. And this is the sacrament of love and unity."

During the past year Holy Communion has been celebrated 9 times, with a total communing registration of 809. Average 89. The average communing membership (those who have communed at least once during the past year) is about 60%, i.e., Trinity is only 60% alive to the spiritual strengthening of this blessed sacrament.

The average attendance and total for the various services are as follows:

Sunday,	11:00 Services	125	6467
Lent	7:45 Wednesday (2 communions incl.). .	67	536
Special Services.		206	2068
			9071

A word of appreciation is extended to the organist, Miss Ethel Wicks, the choir director, Edward Rippii, and the church choir who have given of their time and talent to beautify and enrich our Morning Worship Service through song.

It was a happy day when a children's choir was again organized. We were exceedingly fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Edgar Johnson, who is eminently equipped by training, experience, and personality. At present there are 14 children enrolled in the choir, and we are looking forward to having them with us one Sunday a month at the Morning Worship Service.

The addition of flowers not only adds beauty but testify to the bounty and goodness of God. If flowers in the sanctuary is the desire of the congregation then may I suggest a Flower Chart of flowers given in memorial by relatives and friends of the departed.

"Jesus went up into the temple, and taught'...."Suffer the little children to come unto me; forbid them not: for to such belongeth the kingdom of God."

When mention is made of children it is natural to think of parish education. The need for teachers has been greatly overcome by the addition of four teachers and two assistants since our last annual meeting when for lack of teachers we were greatly handicapped in presenting an effective and efficient school. At present our school enrollment is 134 with an average attendance of 63. To effectively bring the message of Christ's love to these little one we have 12 teachers, 4 assistants, 4 officers and our faithful superintendent, Miss Eleanor Iverson.

At the close of the public school year two weeks of Vacation Bible School were held at Trinity. The attendance increased daily until we reached 73 pupils during the closing week of the school. Plans will be made to continue the Bible School next summer.

Here, as perhaps in no other part of my report, belongs the question of our building program. The total effectiveness of Trinity's ministry in the community is hampered by lack of facilities, which are necessary, to make her message applicable to every age group.

The Church School is operated by an age old system of education of eight grades in one room, which more closely represents a bedlum than a quiet scene of children and teacher studying together the lessons of God's Word. A year ago one of our teachers wrote a letter to the Board of Administration which in turn was read to the congregation, depicting the crowded conditions of our school, ans as yet the situation has not been relieved. It can only be relieved by turning the children away in the face of the Master's charge. "Suffer the little children to come unto me."

Our School is up to date in all things, slide projector, sound motion picture projector, lesson material and general Bible programs, yes, in all things but adequate classrooms.

After Church School and Confirmation instruction, the boys and girls become members of the Luther League. A meeting room conducive to good fellowship and fun is essential to good league planning. The living room in the present parsonage lends itself perfectly to their need. A typical league meeting might conclude by sitting around the fireplace, singing songs learned at Bible Camps, telling stories, relating experiences of the day and roasting marshmellows. My friends, the young people of this community are finding diversions which are not at all wholesome and godly. We have a fine, faithful group of young people, let us keep them for the Church and Christ.

We might digress here for just a moment and say, that upon leaving for the university the youth will find the Lutheran Church there too. Student work is continuing at Oregon State and Oregon University under the direction of the National Lutheran Council, and wherever our young people may go, the Church is there to serve them.

Why is it, that whenever the opportunity affords itself, the organizations will meet in the home? Why? because of the friendliness of home atmosphere. Our organizations are losing members and spirit because so few homes are large enought to adequately entertain the numbers which will attend; we are curved as to the number that can be invited. Many times have I heard members speak of the large and friendly gatherings held in the parsonage during the vacancy. Voices were heard to say, "It can't be done," when the foundations of this structure were laid. Do not harken to these voices today. Let us go forward in the faith and courage which make the fondest dreams a reality.

The fifth and final year of our Centennial Observance has arrived, which lends itself perfectly to our building program, as no special offerin s will be asked of the congregation, by the synod, during the year 1948. At the inception of our Centennial Observance Program the fifth year was designated for congregational observance. We of Trinity can in no better way show our faith in God and gratitude to Him, than by dedicating a building to Parish Education.

I submit for your consideration and approval Resolution No. 7 b. May each member keep the need in mind for a parish building as each month another Building Fund envelope appears.

"Jesus went up into the temple, and taught"...."I am the bread of life. He that cometh to me shall never hunger, and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst." Long before cathedrals of stone and stained glass were erected as places of public worship, the Christian worshipped in the homes of thebelievers. Is there a church in your house? The Christian Church was born in a house, and, next to God, there lies its future. As essential as your attendance at public worship is, it cannot replace the devotion in your home. Your church has desired to aid you in establishing the Family Altar by sending devotional booklets with meditations for every day of the year with directed Bible reading. When you read them, the ever-present problems of your life are solved in the light of the Word. As you regularly read the Bible and the books of Christian devotion; father, mother, and children become untied in a bond of faith and fellowship with Christ.

"Jesus went up into the temple, and taught,"..."For where thy treasurer is there will thy heart be also." Because the greater number of our members have their heart in the financial obligations of the church and have given of their treasury, Trinity has fulfilled all of its financial responsibilities for the year 1947.

The Stewardship Program presented this fall resulted in 76 pledges which total $3,057.60. This represents a small portion of the total budget for 1948, but if every member will remember to five a portion to the Lord's work regularly, by His grace this budget will be fulfilled.

In Memorium

Three communicant members were called to their eternal reward during the year. As we read their names we pause to pay them tribute and pray that we might be kept in the faith even to the end:

Mrs. Dorothy Gustafson Lorenzon
Carl V. Westersund
Axel G. Backlund

Peace be to their memory!

Parish Statistics

The following is a report of accessions, dismissals, and pastoral acts for the year:

1. Membership Increases

By Baptism:

Children	46
Adults	8

By Confirmation

Children	14
Adults	6

By Reaffirmation of Faith	10
By Transfer	3
Total confirmed increase	41

2. Membership Decreases

By Death

Adults	3
By Transfer	9
Others loses	7
Total confirmed decrease	19

Communicant Membership--December 31, 1947	423
Number of Baptized Children	244
Total Baptized Membership	667

Pastoral Acts cont. Marriages 29, Funerals 28, Baptisms 54

Jesus also went up into the temple to pray. May we not forget the source of all strength and comfort, power and joy, grace and truth, as we enter upon another year of service in His name.

Miscellaneous

May we consider this evening our obligation to the Lutheran Service Center, remembering the service it renders to the community through its facilities and director, Pastor L. J. Kutz, who has so ably represented Trinity and all the Lutheran churches in the work. A word of appreciation and thanks to Pastor Kutz is in order.

God grant that our discussion and decisions this evening will reveal that the faith of our fathers is living still; that we are ready for new adventures, and that we want the Church to be the Church--to the Glory of God and the salvation of souls.

Respectfully yours
Roy W. Ryden
Pastor

Astoria, Oregon
January 5, 1948

MSC that the Pastoral report be accepted as read.

Current Budget 1948

Pastor's Salary	$ 2,700.00
Pastor's ass't	75.00
Choir Director	500.00
Organist	360.00
Custodian	420.00
Church Secretary	300.00
Utilities (Church)	420.00
(Parsonage)	400.00
Insurance	250.00
Taxes	57.36
Repairs and Maintenance	1,000.00
Church Supplies	225.00
Choir Music and Hymnals	175.00
Publicity and Postage	200.00
Car Allowance	150.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
	$ 7,482.36

Benevolence Budget 1948

Conference Budget	$ 1,400.00
Augustana Pension and Aid	210.00
Lutheran World Action	930.00
	$ 2,540.00

Total Budget

Benevolence	$ 2,540.00
Current	7,482.36
	$ 10,022.36

MSC that this report be accepted as given.

The following financial statements were reported:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Current Treasurer:

Initial Offering	$ 23.40
Envelope	4,807.27
Loose Offering	541.28
Miscellaneous	124.00
	$ 5,495.95

To Benevolent Treasurer:

Envelope	$ 1,909.28
Loose Offering	85.65
Pastoral Service (Baptisms)	126.00
Miscellaneous	34.00
	$ 2,154.93

CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts:

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$ 927.27
Jan., Fe., Mar.	1,489.04
Apr., May, June	1,242.27
July, Aug., Sept.	972.79
Oct., Nov., Dec.	2,045.37
	$ 6.676.74

Disbursements:

Pastor's Salary	$ 2,700.00
Pastor's Ass't	15.00
Organist	300.00
Choir Director	150.00
Custodian	385.00
Church Supplies	376.01
Music and Hymnals	28.88
Utilities	489.08
Postage and Publicity	156.38
Repair and Maintenance	405.29
Insurance and Tax	161.16
Office Help	136.20
Car Allowance	150.00
Picture Projector	150.00
Refrigerator	249.95
Miscellaneous	55.47
	$ 5,908.95
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$ 768.32

BENEVOLENT TREASURER

Receipts:

Cash on hand 1/1/47	$ 526.57
Receipts	2,154.93
	$ 2,681.50

Disbursements:

Conference Budget	$ 981.00*
District Dues	35.00
Augustana Pension and Aid	452.00
Lutheran World Action	350.00
Bethphage Mission	50.00
Pacific Lutheran College	50.00
Camp Colton	50.00
Lutheran Student Foundation	50.00
Columbia Home for Aged	50.00
American Bible Society	25.00
	$ 2,093.00

*Balance of $219.00 with the Conference from 1946.

LUTHER LEAGUE EDUCATIONAL FUND

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	110.00
no receipts for 1947		

TRINITY CHURCH RESERVE FUND

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	106.38
no receipts for 1947		

Both accounts are held as savings acc't.

BUILDING FUND

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	250.00
receipts for 1947		296.00
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	546.00

PANEL FUND

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	748.94
Receipts Plague Fund C		99.96
Cash		349.40
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	1,198.30

TRINITY LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	57.67
Receipts in 1947		126.35
	$	184.02
Disbursements		123.93
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	60.09

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	22.42
Receipts in 1947		64.75
	$	87.17
Disbursements		78.44
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	8.73

LUTHER LEAGUE

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	15.39
Receipts in 1947		280.34
	$	295.73
Disbursements		233.51
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	62.22

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	183.83
Receipts in 1947		115.35
	$	299.18
Disbursements		106.93
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	192.25

CHURCH SCHOOL

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	281.63
Receipts:		
Sunday Offerings		420.83
Birthday Offerings		2.68
Easter Offering		111.36
Vacation Bible School Off.		46.74
Christmas Offering (Lutheran World Relief)		72.55
Refund from Postage (Bd. of Home Missions)		4.00
	$	939.73

CHURCH SCHOOL (con't)

Disbursements:

Mrs. Holt (Cradle Roll Exp.)	$	6.50
Pastor Ryden (Stamps etc.)		11.49
Lutheran Bible Institute		1.70
Jr. Missionary Society		40.00
Bethphage Mission		30.00
Dept. Parish Education		15.00
Methodist Publ House (Supplies)		49.09
Teacher Training School (Expense to P.L.C.)		75.00
Evangel Picture Service		23.90
Augustana Book Concern		242.57
Parish Supply House		20.99
	$	516.24
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	423.55

TRINITY LADIES AID

Checking Receipts

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	425.27
Donations		11.50
Annual Sale and Dinner		451.55
Received from weddings		25.00
	$	913.32

Disbursements:

Merchandise	$	70.10
Refrigerator		125.00
Paint for Basement		61.67
Gifts		14.10
Red Cross		5.00
Compass Mission		5.00
	$	280.87
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	632.45

Savings Account

Receipts:

Balance on hand 1/1/47	$	2,539.51
Received from Ladies Aid Col.		187.16
Mothers and Daughters Banquet		55.00
Interest		12.50
	$	2,794.17
Disbursements		None
Balance on hand 1/1/48	$	2,794.17

Other Assets:
10 Government Bonds @ $18.50

January 4, 1948

AUDITORS REPORT

We, the auditing committee, report that after completion of our audit all accounts of Church Funds are in order.

Respectfully submitted,

Elmer Bloomquist, Edgar Johnson, Sven Lund

The following tellers were appointed by the pastor: Don Hedeen, Don Seeborg, and Mr. Morgard. The official ballot, which represented nominations by the Pastor's Cabinet, was passed out to voting members present and motion was made and carried that these nominations be accepted with the following additions: John Wicks for trustee, Edgar Johnson and Perry Mitchess for Emmanuel Charity Board, Ed Westerson for Delegate to Synod, and Nels Rasmussen for Church School Superintendent.

Miss Wicks was elected organist.

Nels Rasmussen was elected Church School Superintendent.

Deacons (for 3-year period): Clark Hedeen, Sven Lund, Bill Seeborg.

Trustees (for 3-year period): Art Johanson, Art Stromsness, Art Kvistad.

Conference Delegate: Nels Rasmussen; Edgar Johnson, alternate.

District Delegate: Perry Mitchell; Gunnar Johanson, alternate.

Emanuel Charity Board:Nels Rasmussen,48-49-50; Victor Jackson, 48-49-50; Elmer Bloomquist, 48-49-50; C. A. Weaver, 46-47-48; R. W. Ryden, 47-48-49.

Auditors for 1948 accounts: Edgar Johnson, Mrs. C. Hedeen, Fred Jensen.

The following resolutions were read by the sec'y. Each resolution was adopted separately. All resolutions were adopted unanimously.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That we, the Trinity family, thank God for His many Blessings bestowed upon us during the year 1947 and hymbly pray that He will fill us with His Holy Spirit, that from our hearts may come the sincere desire to draw souls to Christ.

2. That we express our sincere gratitude to the pastor for his work with us and that we as a congregation be one with our pastor in the program of World Evangelization.

3. To all officers and organizations, the organist and director a sincere appreciation and thank you; that we express special appreciation to our Church School superintendent, teachers and officers for their untiring efforts in our program of Christian Education.

4. That our sympathy and comfort be extended to those who during the past year have lost dear ones. May they find comfort in Romans 14. 7-9.

5. That we support the program of the National Lutheran Council of World Relief, Home Missions and Foreign Missions, and accept our obligation of $930.00, said amount to be raised by special offering.

6. That the Trinity Congregation recognize her responsibility by supporting, Pacific Lutheran College, Columbia Home for the Aged, Bethphage Mission, Camp Colton, Lutheran Student Foundation of Oregon, American Bible Society by apportioning our Easter offering among them.

7. That we approve the following committee recommendations:

a. Art Windows
   Ebba Wicks
   Mrs. C. O. Moberg
   Mrs. J. Christians
   Wm. Seeborg
   Clark Hedeen

b. Parsonage Committee be hereafter called the Building Committee.
   Committee as elected October 1946:
   R. W. Kullberg, J. Wicks, H. Slotte, P. Mitchell, Mrs. F. Elfving, Miss Signe Engberg, R. W. Ryden
   That they coordinate the building program of the church, that they act in accordance with the resolutions as passed by the congregation at its 1947 annual meeting and make a report at their earliest convenience.

c. Panelling committee:
   Mr. Hoyer, Je. Wicks, and Perry Mitchell

8. That we thank God for the effectual working of the Holy Spirit evidenced by the increase in membership, for to Him be all the praise and glory.

9. And finally, we urge all members to faithfully commune with God through the hearing of His Word and partaking of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the end that we may be strengthened in faith and obtain Everlasting Life through Jesus Christ our Lofd and Saviour, to Him be all the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

10. That Christ may rule as King in the hearts of men, that we being drawn to the Prince of Peace may have peace on earth and good will toward all mankind.

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Signe Engberg
Mrs. Perry Mitchell
Gunnar Johanson

Motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned.
The meeting was closed with prayer and Benediction by the Pastor

Respectfully submitted,

_____
S. B. Lund, Secretary.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Administration _____

SIGNED _____

The annual meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Astoria was duly called for Wednesday, January 12, 1949 at 8:00 P.M.

The congregation sang hymn No. 179, "My Church, My Church" followed by scripture (Luke 22: 14 - 22)and prayer by Pastor Ryden.

In the absence of the congregational Sec'y, Mr. S. B. Lund, the Chairman appointed Mr. [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Wm Seeborg and second by Mr. R. Hoyer "that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M." the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Clark Hedeen, Sec'y protem.

The adjourned meeting of the annual meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Astoria was duly called for Wednesday, January 19, 1949 at 8:00 P.M.

In as much as a quorum was not present it was impossible to call the meeting to order and transact our annual business. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Elmer Bloomquist and second by Mrs. Marvin Taylor "that the meeting be adjourned until Sunday, January 23, 1949 at 12 o'clock noon". The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Clark Hedeen, Sec'y protem.

[illegible]

January 23, 1949
12 o'clock noon

[illegible] of [illegible] was duly called to order by Pastor Ryden, Sunday, January 23, 1949 at 12:00 noon.

Nomination for secretary of the Congregation was opened- E.W.Bloomquist and Clark Hedeen were nominated. E.W. Bloomquist was elected secretary by acclamation.

The Following tellers were appointed - Henry Larsen, Joyce Fager, Eleanor Peterson and Joan Kaitera.

Nominations of Church officers by the Pastor's Cabinet were presented. The following nominations were made from the floor -
Auditors for 1949 Clark [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] and were [illegible] ballot. All nominations were duly closed and made ready for balloting.

Motion by Perry Mitchell, second by Mrs. E. Bloomquist that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Nels Rasmussen as Church School Supt. and Ethel Wicks as Church Organist. Motion carried.
A unanimous ballot was cast by the secretary for the above officers and they were duly elected.

Balloting for Church officers was finished and collected by the tellers.

The following auditors report was read by the secretary-

January 9, 1949

To the Trinity Lutheran Church

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Committee Treasurer, Church School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies' treasurers of the congregation, as summarized in the report, and believe the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed E.H. Johnson
Helena Hedeen
Clark Hedeen

Motion was made and seconded to accept the report of the auditors. Carried.

[illegible] year 1949 (see exhibit C) was presented by the Chariman [illegible], Clark Hedeen.
[illegible] ennant and seconded by Perry Mitchell that the current [illegible] of $ 6845.00 by accepted. Motion carried.
[illegible] l that the Benevolence budget [illegible].

[illegible] reports (see exhibit D) [illegible].

FINANCIAL REPORTS 1949 Trinity Lutheran Church

EXHIBIT C

TOTAL BUDGET 1949

Current Budget

Pastor's Salary	$ 2,700.00
Pastor's Ass't	75.00
Choir Director	300.00
Organist	420.00
Custodian	420.00
Office Ass't	150.00
Utilities (C. & P.)	900.00
Taxes	70.00
Insurance	175.00
Minor Repairs & Maintenance	350.00
Church Supplies	350.00
Choir Music	40.00
Postage and Publicity	175.00
Car Allowance	200.00
	$ 6,325.00
Church School Bus	520.00
	$ 6,845.00

Benevolent Budget

Conference & Synod	$ 1,600.00
Pension & Aid	400.00
District Fares	35.00
Lutheran World Action **	846.00
Pacific Lutheran College	50.00
Augustana Tract Fund	10.00
Amer. Bible Society	25.00
Columbia Home for the Aged	50.00
Luth. Student Foundation	50.00
Bethphage Mission	50.00
Camp Colton	50.00
	$ 3,166.00

** This figure is based on $ 2.00 per. member as of Jan. 1, 1948

Total Budget

Current	6,845.00
Benevolent	3,166.00
	$ 10,005.00

EXHIBIT D Financial Report for 1948

Financial Secretary

To Current Treasurer

Initial Offering	23.95
Envelope Offering	4,949.10
Loose Offering	508.68
Miscellaneous	868.06
	6,349.79

To Benevolent Treasurer

Envelope Offering	$ 1,444.24
Loose Offering	35.88
Luth. World Action	629.36
Easter Offering	456.02
Contributions Sp. to Colton	160.00
Baptismal gifts.	33.00
	$ 2,758.50

Total Income of Fin. Sec'y

Current Budget	$ 6,349.79
Benevolent Budget	2,758.50
	$ 8,108.29
To Building Fund	745.95
To Brotherhood	29.00
	$ 9,883.24

Benevolent Treasurer

Balance on Hand 1/148			$ 588.50
Receipts:			
Envelopes and Loose		$ 1,480.12	
Luth. World Action			
Sp. Offering	$ 629.36		
D. of Trinity	50.00*		
Fellowship Club	21.31*	700.67	
Contributions Specified for Camp Colton		160.00	
Baptismal Gifts		33.00	
Easter Offering		456.02	
Contribution to Gideon Society		27.00*	
			2,856.81
			$ 3,445.31

* - Money not handled by the Fin. Sec'y.

Disbursements:	$ 1,400.00	
Columbia Conference Ass.	862.45 *	
Lutheran World Action	150.00	
Augustana Pension & Aid	235.00	
Camp Colton	50.00	
Bethphage Mission	25.00	
Amer. Bible Society	50.00	
Lutheran Student Foundation	50.00	
Columbia Home for the Aged	50.00	
Pacific Luth. College	27.00	
Gideon Bible Society	25.00	
Portland Mission District	6.50	
		2,941.33
Parish Supply Store		$ 503.98
Balance on Hand 1/1/49		

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Current Treasurer

Balance on Hand 1/1/48		$ 768.32
Receipts		
First Quarter	1,382.75	
Second Quarter	1,501.66	
Third Quarter	1,254.39	
Fourth Quarter	2,211.09	$ 6,349.79
		$ 7,118.11
Total Disbursements		$ 6,488.95
Balance on Hand 1/1/49		$ 629.16

Disbursements

Pastor's Salary	$ 2,700.00
Pastor's Ass't	50.00
Organist	335.00
Custodian	420.00
Choir Director	250.00
Church Supplies	458.05
Music & Hymnals	46.41
Utilities	759.61
Postage & Publicity	191.94
Repair & Maintenance	312.19
Insurance & Taxes	345.38
Office Sec'y.	102.05
Parsonage fuel	302.73
Car Allowance	150.00
Miscellaneous	14.59
	$ 6,488.95

Building Fund

Balance on hand 1/148	$ 546.00
Receipts for 1948	745.95
Total 1/1/49	1,291.95

Trinity Brotherhood

Balance on hand 1/1/48	$ 60.00
Receipts	142.75
	$ 202.75
Disbursements	53.17
Balance on hand 1/1/49	149.58

Luther League

Balance on hand 1/1/48	$ 69.95
Receipts	59.55
	129.50
Disbursements	100.83
Balance on hand 1/1/49	28.67

Women's Missionary Society

Balance on hand 1/1/48	$ 17.25
Receipts	209.30
	226.55
Disbursements	225.18
Balance on hand 1/1/49	1.37

Trinity Motion Picture Fund

Balance on hand 1/1/48		116.28
Receipts		42.04
		158.32
Disbursements	94.89	
Bank Charge	.75	95.64
Balance on hand 1/1/49.....		$ 62.68

Panel Fund

Banalce on hand 1/1/48	$ 1,198.30
Receipts for 1948	313.35
	1,511.35
Disbursements	1,351.43
Balance on hand 1/1/49	160.22

Daughters of Trinity

Balance on hand 1/1/48	$ 192.25
Receipts	199.53
	391.78
Disbursements	298.30
Banalnce on hand 1/1/49	93.48

Ladies Aid

Balance on hand 1/1/48	$ 632.45
Receipts	549.08
	1,181.53
Disbursements	346.10
Balance on hand 1/1/49	835.43

Ladies Aid Savings Account

Balance on hand 1/1/48	2,794.17
Receipts plus Interest	228.38
	3,022.55
Disbursements	None

Ladies Aid (other assets)

10 Government Bonds @ $ 18.50

Church School

Balance on hand 1/1/48	$ 423.55
Receipts	624.58
	1,048.13
Disbursements	771.56
Balance on hand 1/1/49	276.57

The following resolutions were read-

1. MSC That we, the Trinity Family, thank God for His many blessings bestowed upon us during the year 1948 and humbly pray that He will fill us with His Holy Spirit, that from our hearts [illegible]

2. [illegible] Pastor for his work with us [illegible] Pastor in the program of world evangelism.

3. [illegible]

4. [illegible] of the Junior Choir, to Miss Ethel Wicks our [illegible] Church School, and to Henry Larsen the full cooperation. [illegible] sincere thanks and urge the membership to give them their

5. MSC We bow in humble reverence before Almighty God in memory of the members who have been summoned to their eternal home [illegible]

6. MSC That we desire to pertetuate the memory of our departed members suggest to the congregation that a memorial art window be purchased [illegible] the congregation elect a treasurer for these funds.

Motion made by Wm Seeborg that Clark Hedeen be treasurer of the Memorial Art Window Fund. Seconded by Marvin Taylor. Motion carried.

7. MSC That we heartly adopt the total budget in the hope that our members will step up their pledges so as to eliminate special ingatherings with the exception of Lutheran World Action.

8. [illegible] following committee recommendations:

a. Art Windows
Ebba Wicks, Mrs. C. O. Moberg, Mrs. J. Christians
William Seeborg, Clark Hedeen

b. Building Committee
R. W. Kullberg, J. Wicks, H. Slotte, P. Mitchell
Mrs. F. Elfving, Miss Eigne Enberg.

That we make the Building Program a definite issue and the members pledge support to acutal construction in this year 1949.

Motion by Wm. Seeborg that the resolution be ammended to increase the membership of the Building Committee by three more members. seconded by Richard Tennant. Motion carried.

The following members were added to the committee by election Gunnar Johanson, Elmer Bloomquist and Nels Rasmussen.

Motion by R. W. Kullberg and seconded by P. Mitchell that the following words be deleted from Resolution No. 8 "to actual construction". Motion carried.

MSC that Resolution be adopted as ammended. Resolution No. 8 as adopted reads as follows:
"Be it hereby resolved, that we approve the following committee recommendations:-

a. Art Windows Ebba Wicks, Mrs. C.O.Moberg, Mrs. J. Christians
Wm Seeborg, Clark Hedeen, Treasurer.

b. Building Committee R.W.Kullberg, J.E.Wicks, H. Slottee, Perry Mitchell, Mrs. E. Elfving, Miss Signe Enberg, Gunnar Johanson
Elmer Bloomquist, Nels Rasmussen.

That we make the Building Program a definite issue and the members pledge support in this year 1949

Results of the Election of Church Officers were as follows

Trustees: Charles Swanson, Herman Slotte, Edward Kaitera
Church Council: Arthur Fager, Ted Christians, Chester Weaver.
Conference Delegate: Edgar Johnson, Alternate- Perry Mitchell
District Delegate: Mrs. Albert Engbretson, Alternate- Gunnar Johanson
Emanuel Charity Board Gunnar Johanson

Members of the Board (Emanuel Charity) are as follows

Pastor Roy W. Rdeyn	47-48-49
Nels Rasmussen	48-49-50
Victor Jackson	48-49-50-
Elmer Bloomquist	48-49-50
Gunnar Johanson	49-50-51

[illegible] nominees be retained on the auditing committee. Carried.
[illegible], Runor Rasmus, Richard Tennant and Marvin Taylor

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[illegible] "to constitute a quorum for [illegible] at a meeting of the congregation 10 per cent of the [illegible] e present.

10. MSC that wherever the word "Synod" accurs the word "Church" is to take its place.
Note: Article 3, Section 1,2,3 Article 4, Section 2, Paragraph 3
Article 6, Sect 1,7,9,10 Article 8, Section 2,4,5 Article 9
Article 12, Section 1 Article 10, Section 1,2,3.

11. MSC That we, the Trinity Congregation make proper preparation for the observance of our 20th Anniversary in this year 1949

12. MSC That we urge our membership to support the daily Bible reading program "God's Word For Today."

13. MSC That we reg[illegible] is less than on oth[illegible] afforded each month [illegible]

14. MSC That we urge our families to take advantage of the "Family Week" to be held at Colton Bible Camp this summer, July 9 through 16. This program will add recreation and inspiration to your vacation.

14. MSC We pray God's blessing on our deliberations this evening and that we seek His guidance throughout the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Richard Nordquist, Mrs Fred Nordstrom
R. W. Kullberg, Dick Tennant.

Recommendations by the Building Committee were read -

1. That the following repairs be made in the Parish House
   a. the furnace overhauled
   b. building insulated
   c. sidding be put on the east wall.

2. That as of February 1, 1949 the parsonage commence to function as a Parish House and that the congregation, build, buy or rent a home for the pastor.

Recommendation No. 1 was explained by H. Slotte
Recommendation No. 2 was explained by R. W. Kullberg.

Motion by G. Johanson that recommendation No. 2 be adopted, seconded by P. Mitchell. Carried.

Motion by Wm Seeborg that recommendation No. 1 be adopted, se onded by P. Mitchell. Carried.

MSC "that the Building Committee call a congregational meeting at a later date to further discuss the building program."

MSC "that this meeting be adjourned until Sunday, January 30th 1949 at 12 noon.

Meeting adjourned until January 30th with the congregation praying for God's Benediction.

MEETING HELD JANUARY 30, 1949 12 noon

The adjourned meeting of the Congregation of the Trinity Lutheran Church was called to order by Pastor Ryden on Sunday, January 30, 1949 at 12 noon.

[illegible]tor Ryden presented his annual report to the congregation for the year 1948.

[illegible]ion by H. Slottee, seconded by G. Johanson, "that the report be accepted." carried.

To the Trinity Lutheran Congregation
Astoria, Oregon

Grance and Peace!

The confession of our most holy faith includes this article (the third) "I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian church: the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting." Amen!

Dr. Martin Luther's explanation of this Third Article may well serve as the basis and outline of this report, the twentieth pastoral report to the Trinity Congregation. Luther writes, " in like manner He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and preserves it in union with Jesus Christ in the one true faith."

"It is He who hath made us and not we ourselves" that is not only physically but spiritually "He hath made us" by the washing or regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit.

Through the preaching of the Word He hath called us.

During the past year 52 Sunday morning services were conducted with a total attendance of 6,823. The spiritual life of the congregation is reflected largely by the church attendance. It is granted that well attended services is the most effective witness that a congregation can have. It should therefore be a matter of grave concern to the regular worshippers that so many members are irregular in their attendance, and that almost as many seldom or ever come to church. That concern, if it is genuine, must express itself in personal activity to arouse the indifferent and marginal members.

"Not only does the Holy Spirit call us afresh each day through the Word, [illegible] ment of the Lord's Supper, that "ye may become partakers of the [illegible] nature." At 13 of these services Holy Communion the total [illegible] attendance was 1,057 (including the communion celebrated [illegible] ly Week). Since holy Communion is the high point in Christian [illegible], it is most disturbing that the total attendance is always less [illegible] the First Sunday of each month when Holy Communion is celebrated. "[illegible] we neglect [illegible] r we show that we do not recognize our [illegible] the Lord offers us in this [illegible] r."

[illegible]

conducted by Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, President of the Columbia Conference. A most unique service was conducted in May, when 17 young people of this congregation, graduating from High School were extended the well wishes of the Congregation and God's blessing invocated in their behalf. A Hymnal was presented to each as a gift of the Congregation. It is my hope that this service may be continued. It was the privilege of the Congregation to be host to the Astoria High School for the Baccalaurate Service and for your pastor to bring the sermon. A total of 8,983 worshipped God in our sanctuary this past year.

*At this time I would call your attention to Resolution No. 6 in which provision has been made for the founding of The Memorial Art-Window Fund. In no better was can we preserve the memory of the saints who have labored in our midst than by memorial gifts used for the beautifying of His Tabernacle.

*The spirit of worship has been enchanced by the beautiful and worshipful anthems sung by our choirs, the Trinity Women's Chorus and the Junior Choir. I add my personal thanks to Miss. Ethel Hicks who so ably has served as organist and director of the Women's Chorus and to Mrs. Edgar Johnson for her untiring devotion to the children of our church. These children are receiving an education in music which cannot be measured by monetary standards. The members of the congregation can add greatly to the alleviation of their problems by giving full cooperation to the ministry of music in Trinity.

*A source of daily strength to the members of this parish is the reading of daily devotions from "The Word In Season". In this manner also we are kept in union with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. More than 300 of these devotional booklets are sent every period and we should be strengthend and more closely bound together by the realization that the whole Trinity family are reading each day the same scripture, devotional and offering the same prayer [illegible].

[illegible] me; forbid [illegible] God." Thus it is also [illegible] we work nightly among the babes and children and young people of our congregation, for in them is vested the future Christian Church on earth. During the past year 51 children were brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism. We have 79 enrolled in our Cradle Roll. The work of sending prepared Cradle Roll material in under the direction of Mrs. Gwynn Holt.

At present our school enrollment is 138 with an average attendnace of 72. To effectively bring the message of Christ's love to these little ones we have 13 teachers, 4 assistants, 3 officers and our faithful supterintendent, Nels Rasumssen.

*At the close of the public school year two weeks of Vacation Bible School were conducted in Trinity. The attendance increased daily until we reached an enrollment of 76 pupils. With cooperation in securing teachers this program will continue another year.

*Here, as perhaps no other part of my report, belongs the question of our building program. The total effectiveness of Trinity's ministry in the community is hampered by a lack of facilities, which are necessary to make her program applicable to every age group.

Our building program lacks direction thus handicapping the work of your committee. The congregation should decide this evening the lacation of the future parsonage. To be, or not to be, near the church, is the question and the arguments "pro" and "Con" are many and forceful.

Razing the old structure and building a complete unity of Parish House and Parsonage has its advantages, for the church property will be together, providing more economical operation. In many respects it is convenient for the pastor and his family to be close to the heart of the parish.

But, there are many difficulties in such a program, for the present building with a few minor repairs (which will have to be made if further use is contemplated) may serve as adequate quarters for the school and other organizations for many years. Again, building away from the church will give the pastor and family a sense of living in a home and a place for the children to play.

I do not believe that anyone in the parish experienced a more chilling [illegible], in which approximately 600 gallons of oil were burned, than [illegible]. It might be added, that in spite of concuming so large a [illegible] portions of the house could be kept at a temperature [illegible] decisions we reach this [illegible].

*Realizing our part in "the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints" Trinity has fulfilled her quota of $ 935.00 in 1948 to Lutheran World Action, and will, I know, accept and accomplish the tasks which have been set before her in this matter of world reconstruction. For Stewardship is intimately tied up in the christian experience. We cannot, seeing our brethern in need, shut up our compassion from them.

[illegible]

which totalled $ 6,393.34. In addition $ 3,4[illegible].90 was received in special offerings and weekly loose offerings. The financial picture is good, and yet the financial secretary reports that many have not contributed to the financial support of the congregation in 1948.

The terms of office of the following trustees expire at this meeting:
Perry Mitchell, Ed.

Dr. R.L.Hullberg, Edgar Johnson and Nels Rasmussen. These men have served faithfully and honorably on their respective boards, to them should be accorded a rising vote to thanks.

The work of the holy Christian Church continues through the many avenues of expression given it by the organizations with in Trinity. We are thankful for the support they have given the total program of the Church.

Included in the confession of our Church is the following thoughts
"The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting".
"Marvel not at this: for the hour cometh, in which all that are in the tombs shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of judgement." The Holy Spirit by sanctification would prepare us in this world to take up our place in the eternal realms of glory forever.

So it has pleased God in His wisdom and goodness to call from our midst

eight beloved members: Hjalmer Anderson,
Charles R. Johnson
Gustaf A. Peterson
William Carlson
John F. Christians
Olaf Erickson
Florence Mathre
Amanda Johanson

and one child.

Peace be to their memory.

The following is a report of accessions, dismissals, and pastoral acts for the year:

Membership Decrease

By Death

Adults 8

By Transfer 15

Other loses

Total Confirmed Decrease

Pastoral Acts

Mariages 22

Burials 42

It is impossible to report the communicant membership of the parish until after the Church Council has take action regarding the many who retain their membership in Trinity and live elsewhere or neither attend and contribute to the work of the church.

As we turn to the business that is before us and to another year of parish life and activity let us heed the admonition of St. Paul, "And whatsoever you do, in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

Roy W. Ryden

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motion seconded by Arthur Fager. Motion carried unanimously.

Elmer Palmquist

APPROVED 12-28-49 BY THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

SEC'T.

Minutes of the Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 11, 1950

8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Hymn No. 178 v 1,2 was sung by the congregation, followed by Scripture and Prayer, Colossians 1:9-18 by Pastor Roy W. Ryden.

Mrs. Runar Rasmus was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

Pastor Ryden read his annual report, as follows:

To The Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace !

It seems hardly possible that this is the fourth annual report that I am presenting to this congregation. Time does pass quickly. How necessary, therefore, that we redeem the time and the opportunities. We shall not pass this way again.

Much could be said about world changing and world shaking events during the four year period. We shall, however, confine ourselves to a review of the activities and developments within the parish during this past year.

I. WORSHIP

Jesus said; "And my house shall be a house of prayer." It is in worship that we feel our oneness with God our Father and with one another and no amount of pious sentiment and solemn excuses can take the place of a sincere and contrite heart worshipping God in the midst of His Holy Temple. As members of His Church it is our joy and solemn obligation to be in our place of worship every Sabbath Day, anything short of full and complete loyalty to the King of kings, and Lord of lords is idolatry. During the past year fifty-two services were conducted on Sunday morning with a total attendance of 6467 with an average attendance of 126, a total which represents only about one-third of our membership. There are many in our parish who have found no advantage in worshipping God at all during the past year.

Central in our worship is the Blessed sacrament. This is the sacrament of forgiveness, apart from which there can be no real spiritual growth, yet here again we find that about 25% of our congregation did not bend the knee of thanksgiving and penitence to receive His gracious Supper.

Adding to the beauty of our worship has been the services of our two choirs; the senior choir directed by Miss Ethel Wicks and the Juniors by Mrs. Edgar Johnson, surely their efforts could be more genuinely appreciated by the congregation in greater support of the choirs. The ministry of music is an important phase of parish worship, and I personally, wish to thank them for their untiring patience in conducting our choirs. Greeting our members and visitors has been an efficient group of ushers for which we can be duly thankful.

The pastor rejoices in the response of the membership to the daily reading "The Word In Season" which has been placed in the homes of the parish for over two years now. The home is the nursery of the Kingdom. Learn to know the guidance, the power, the peace and quiet which comes to the soul by establishing the Family Altar in your home. It is the fathers and mothers who determine the atmosphere, the character and the quality of their homes and there is nothing which presents a more powerful witness to the future and to the community than the Christian home.

The celebration of our Twentieth Anniversary, certainly, was one of the highlights of our worship during the past year, at which service God's humble servants in the parish gathered to give thanks to Him for His guidance and strength, spiritually and physically, for a score of years. May we seek Him in the future as we have done in the past, seeking forgiveness for past failures and strength for the future to do His will among us. We are thankful to Pastor and Mrs. Martin for being with us on this occasion and lending assistance in the dedicatory service of the parish house and parsonage.

II. INSTRUCTION

The people of this community have placed the Christian Education of their children in the hands of 19 capable and consecrated teachers and officers directed by Nels I. Rasmussen. To them goes the credit for the large and efficient and Christ centered school which is conducted in Trinity. We now have 180 children and young people enrolled in our school, which includes 18 to 24 who have availed themselves of the bus service operated jointly by Trinity and the First Baptist Church of this city. The teachers are indeed thankful for the much need room made available when the congregation purchased the A. A. Charswell residence for the parsonage. The opening service for the Junior, Intermediate and Bible Class is held in the social rooms of the parish house and five teaching classes are held in this building each Sunday morning. The school office has also been moved to this building. We are thankful to the societies who have

furnished these rooms with rugs, drapes, shades, chalk and pin boards.

At the close of the public school year two weeks of Vacation Bible School were held at Trinity. The attendance increased daily until we had a total entrollment of 69 during the closing week of the school. Plans will be made to continue the school this summer.

The addition of the parish house has added much to the effectiveness of our ministry to the children, youth and adults of our community. But with few exceptions the meetings of our socities have been held in these social rooms.

III. FINANCES

The total indebtedness is $7260.00 which represents the mortgage held by the Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Company of Minneapolis, Minnesota. For a complete statement of income and disbursements of the Building Funds please refer to the statement of the treasurer, Miss Enberg.

The treasurer's of the current and benevolence funds show a balance with all bills paid and although the respective balances may be small the boards decided to pay all bills incurred in 1949 rather than wait until our January meeting. We cannot move from one phase of parish life to another without stopping to give glory to God. In the financial picture there is no exception. We thank Him for the health and strength given our membership that they may through their daily occupations care for their Church and families.

I recommend whole heartedly the budget for 1950, the committee was careful in the consideration of each item and in the financial table of comparison this is shown.

For the past several years we have adopted a Unified Budget Plan, which would eliminate the series of special offerings, but this year we must make exceptions, inasmuch as our financial receipts in 1949 left many of these worthy causes without our financial assistance. I would recommend to the congregation the receiving of special offerings for the following: Augustana Mission Advance, Lutheran World Action and the Pension Fund Appeal. The latter appeal is an endeavour to raise the yearly pension of our retired pastors from $400.00 to $600.00. This figure represents, in many instances, the only income for our retired pastors.

IV. SOCIETIES

This year a Senior League was organized to which we invite all the High School graduates and our young married couples. We have had some surprisingly large groups during the past year and we look forward to a sustaining program in the total picture of our church organizations. The church societies in a congregation are the hands and feet expressing thanksgiving to God in errands and deeds of love. As the love of Christ constrains the member of the church he desires to express that constraining love in service manifested in one way, or another. As an avenue for practical expression and for the opportunity of fellowship and sociability church societies have been organized. Trinity has been blessed with active groups for the purposes mentioned above.
We are looking forward to another year of even closer cooperation among the societies for a working out of the total program of the Church. This will be accomplished through the Pastor's Cabinet to which we ask each organization to elect a representative.

V. PERSONNEL

The term of office for the following Deacons expire at this meeting: Richard Tennant, Gunnar Johanson and Marvin Fausett who fulfilled the unexpired term of Dr. J. B. Lund. Of the Trustees, Elmer Blomquist, G. Backlund and Roy Engbretson have completed their term of three years on the board. These men have served faithfully and honorably on their respective boards, to them and all our personnel should be awarded a rising vote of thanks. We are sorry to [illegible] that Niels I. Rasmussen has tendered his resignation as Superintendent of our Church School.....We are grateful for the service he has rendered the school and we look forward to seeing much of you in our school during the coming year.

VI. IN MEMORIAM

The following members of Trinity passed away last year.

Mrs. Cora Ingleton, passed away March 16, 1949 at the age of 45 years, 7 months and 12 days.

Carl M. Nyland, passed away March 27, 1949 at the age of 60 years, 10 months and 11 days.

Victor Gustafson, passed away May 23, 1949 at the age of 66 years, 8 months and 1 day.

Many of our members have lost loved ones, near and far. All these have our sympathy.

VII. STATISCTICS

The following is a report of accessions, dismissals, and pastoral acts for the year.

Membership Increase

By Baptism:

Children	37
Adults	1

By Confirmation

Children	10
Adults	2

By Transfer 16

Reaffirmation of faith 9

Total Confirmed Increase 38

Membership Decrease

By Death	3
By Transfer	1
Other Losses	26

Total Confirmed Decrease 30

Confirmed membership:

Men	168
Women	220
	388

Baptized membership

Marriages	32
Burials	26

IN CONCLUSION*

In a complex society, strained and changing, the Church ever remains constant, pure and simple in preaching the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Adapting herself to mans need, always remaining fresh and viril, she holds the gyroscope to steady the souls of men that languish in fear and spiritual darkness.
Trinity has the physical facilities, but this is not enough, do we have the spiritual qualities so sorely needed? Pray the Lord of the harvest that He send us forth fit vessels to carry His Grace to suffering humanity.
Many hungering souls worship with us every Sunday morning, strangers, take them in. May they see Christ loving them through you.
Every faithful and conscientious member in Trinity contributes to the life and power of the whole Church. Every person, even the poorest and humblest, who opens his heart to the Saviour adds to the beauty and strength of the Kingdom.
Every member of the church who recognizes God's ownership and his own stewardship and contributes accordingly to the support of the church, shares his blessings with the needs of man everywhere, and strengthens the church throughout the world.
May we this year pray and strive for the oneness which Christ speaks of regarding His relationship with the Father, "I and the Father are one" so may we be conscious of the oneness of the Holy Christian Church in Christ.

God grant that our discussion and decisions this evening will reveal that we are ready for new adventures, one with another in Christ.

Yours in Christ

Roy W. Ryden

MSC that the Pastoral report be accepted as read.

Financial reports were read by Financial Secretary Gunnar Johanson, Benevolence Treasurer Marvin Fausett, Current Treasurer Arthur Stromsness, and Miss Signe Enberg of the Building Fund.

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Benevolence		
Envelope Offering	1572.24	
Luth. World Action	727.77	
Gratuties (Baptisms)	102.00	
	2402.01	2402.01
To Current Expense		
Initial Offering	19.10	
Envelope Offering	5567.96	
Loose Offering	487.16	
Miscellaneous	476.88	
	6551.10	6551.10
To Building Fund		
Donations & Offerings	3893.10	3893.10
		$ 12,846.21

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENCE TREASURER

Balance 1-49	503.98	503.98
Receipts:		
Envelopes	1572.24	
L.W.A	727.77	
Baptisms	102.00	
	2402.01	2402.01
		2905.99
Expenditures 1949		2899.34
Balance 1-50		6.65

REPORT OF THE CURRENT TREASURER

Balance 1-49		629.16
Receipts:		
1st Quarter	1616.77	
2nd "	1364.69	
3rd "	1424.00	
4th "	2145.64	
	6551.10	6551.10
		7180.26
Expenditures 1949		7092.15
Balance 1-50		88.11

BENEVOLENCES	Budget 1949	Expenditures '49	Budget 1950
Conference	1600.00	1600.00	1750.00
District Fares	35.00	35.00	35.00
Pension & Aid	400.00	473.12	380.00
Luth. World Action	846.00	727.77	760.00
Pension Fund Appeal	none	none	423.00
Augustana Mission Advance	none	34.05	Offering
Parish Supply (Baptismal Certificates)		14.50	
Camp Colton	50.00	15.00	
Pacific Lutheran College	50.00	none	
Augustana Tract Fund	10.00	none	
Amer. Bible Society	25.00	none	
Columbia Home for Aged	50.00	none	
Luth. Student Foundation	50.00	none	
Bethphage Mission	50.00	none	
	$ 3166.00	$ 2899.34	$ 3348.00

CURRENT

	Budget 1949	Expenditures 1949	Budget 1950
Pastor's Salary	2700.00	2700.00	2700.00
Pastor's Ass't.	75.00	140.00	150.00
Choir Director	300.00	80.00	270.00
Organist	420.00	420.00	420.00
Custodian	420.00	420.00	420.00
Church Music	40.00	none	40.00
Office Ass't.	150.00	none	50.00
Utilities	900.00	1133.51	1100.00
Taxes	70.00	136.81	140.00
Insurance	175.00	319.68	300.00
Repairs & Maintenance	350.00	741.20	350.00
Church Supplies	350.00	320.04	350.00
Postage	175.00	106.06	135.00
Advertising	520.00	70.38	60.00
Church Bus	200.00	62.00	150.00
Car Allowance	none	200.00	250.00
Parsonage Rental		200.00	
Miscellaneous		42.49	
	6845.00	7092.15	6860.00
BENEVOLENCE	3166.00	2899.34	3348.00
TOTALS	$ 10,011.00	$ 10,095.49	$ 10,208.00

Trinity Lutheran Church Building Fund

Balance 1-49		1291.95
Receipts:		
Donations	4393.10	
Fellowship Club	50.00	
Ladies Aid	300.00	
Dinner (May)	462.10	5205.20
		6497.15
Disbursements:		
Service Center	75.00	
Brookfield	294.00	
Herman Slotte	393.00	
Expenses for Dinner	50.34	
Anna M. Charawell	1000.00	
Tile & Trust Co.	1318.75	
Lutheran Brotherhood	2924.20	6255.29
BALANCE 1-50		241.86

$10,000.00 loan from the Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Company...to date $2740.00 has been paid on the principle.

Junior Luther League

Balance 1-49	28.92
Receipts	38.37
	67.29
Disbursements	60.49
BALANCE 1-50	6.80

Trinity Ladies Aid

Checking Receipts:-		
Balance 1-49		855.20
Receipts:		
Cash Donations	48.00	
Annual Sale	350.20	
Rummage Sale	301.07	
Missionary Tea	34.70	
Rose Tea	59.00	
Vanilla	116.10	943.77
Dish Cloths	34.70	
		1798.97
Disbursements:		
Fuller Glass Co.	625.00	
Building Fund	300.00	
Merchandise	224.72	
Compass Mission	5.00	
Home for Aged	5.00	
LWA	10.00	
Missionary Sec.	34.70	
Bank Cg.	1.79	1206.21
BALANCE 1-50		592.76

Savings Account

Balance 1-49	3022.52
Collections	194.30
Interest	30.14
BALANCE 1-50	3246.96

Other Assets
10 Government Bonds at $18.50

Church School

Balance 1-49	276.57
Receipts	643.81
	920.38
Disbursements	799.28
BALANCE 1-50	121.10

Trinity Brotherhood

Balance 1-49		149.58
Receipts		84.31
		233.89
Disbursements		
Building Fund	75.00	
Miscel.	86.28	161.28
BALANCE 1-50		72.61

Womens Missionary Society

Balance 1-49	1.37
Receipts	231.55
	232.92
Disbursements	232.92
BALANCE 1-50	none

Fellowship Club

Balance 1-49		31.82
Receipts:		
Dues	43.50	
Brotherhood Dinner	14.00	
Food Sale	48.80	
Lunch 12/22/49	2.01	
Collections	10.69	119.00
		150.82
Disbursements:		
Augustana Book Co.	22.21	
Building Fund	50.00	
Present for Rev.Kutz	3.15	
Rent for Saw	10.00	
Nursery Fees	3.30	
Christmas Decor.	12.20	
Shrubbery for Parsonage	28.00	128.86
BALANCE 1-50		21.96

Daughters of Trinity

Balance 1-49	102.48
Receipts	341.61
	444.09
Disbursements	238.98
BALANCE 1-50	205.11

MSC that these reports be accepted as given.

The following auditors report was read by Marvin Taylor-

January 8, 1950

To the Trinity Lutheran Church

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Committee Treasurer, Church School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies' treasurers of the congregation, as summarized in the report, and believe the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed Clark Hedeen
Runar Rasmus
Richard Tennant
Marvin Taylor

MSC that the reported of the auditors be accepted.

The Budget for the year 1950 was presented by Clark Hedeen. MSC that the Budget for 1950 be accepted. MSC that Benevolence budget for 1950 be accepted.

The following tellers were appointed by the pastor: Runar Rasmus, chairman, Donald Seeborg, Andrew Young and Arthur Stromsness. The official ballot, which represented nominations by the Pastor's Cabinet, was passed out to voting members present and motion was made and carried that these nominations be accepted with the following additions: Perry Mitchell for trustee; Clark Hedeen, William Seeborg, Mrs. Roy Ryden and Dr. R. W. Kullberg for Synodical delegate; and Mrs. Perry Mitchell for auditor. A motion was made and passed that the nominees for Conference and District delegates receiving second highest votes be named as alternate. A motion was made and passed that the person who was elected as Synodical delegate was unable to attend the Church board would elect a delegate. Secretary of Pastor's cabinet, Richard Tennant, read the nominations.

Results of the Election of Church Officers were as follows:

Trustees
P. A. Olsen
Emil Bjork
Perry Mitchell

Deacons
Marvin Taylor
Edward Hillstrom
Donald Hoyer

Emanuel Charity Board
Perry Mitchell
50-51-52

Church Organist
Miss Ethel Wicks

School Superintendent
Mrs. Inga Mae Youtsler

Synodical Delegate
Mrs. Roy Ryden

Conference Delegate
Edgar Johnson
Alternate-Arthur Fager

District Delegate
Clark Hedeen
Alternate- Gunnar Johanson

Auditors
Kenneth DuVall
Elmer Blomquist
Edgar Johnson

Members of the Board (Emanuel Charity) are as follows:

Nels Rasmussen 48-49-50
Victor Jackson 48-49-50
Elmer Blomquist 48-49-50
Gunnar Johanson 49-50-51

The following resolutions from the committee appointed by the Pastor's Cabinet were read by Edgar Johnson. Each resolution was adopted separately. All resolutions were adopted unanimously. The committee appointed by the Pastor's Cabinet were Mrs. Perry Mitchell, Mrs. Arthur Fager and Edgar Johnson.

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE PASTOR'S CABINET

1. That we, the Trinity family, thank God for the many blessings he has bestowed upon us the past year, for His guidance and direction both spiritually and physically and that He would keep us receptive to His will during the coming years.

2. That we bow in humble reverence before Almighty God in memory of the members who have been summoned to their eternal home during the past year and that those who have suffered bereavement may find comfort in Revelation 14:13 "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

3. That there may be another beautiful and lasting memorial to our departed members in our church, we call the attention of the congregation to our Memorial Art Window Fund.

4. That we are sincerely grateful to our pastor for his understanding of our spiritual needs and we be one with him in the building of God's kingdom among us.

5. That we express our sincere thanks to all the officers who served on the Church boards, to Miss Ethel Wicks our organist and Choir director, to Mrs. Edgar Johnson for her direction of the Junior Choir, to Nels I. Rasmussen Church School Superintendent and to the teachers in our school, to Henry Larsen our custodian, to the ushers and to all the officers of our church societies.

6. That we are grateful to Mrs. Roscoe Lackey, who is very successfully carrying on the work of the Adult Bible Class, and we urge increased participation on the part of our membership.

7. That we are thankful to God for the privilege of having celebrated our Twentieth Anniversary; that we hereby express our appreciation to Pastor and Mrs. J. A. Martin for their participation in the dedicatory ceremonies of our parish house and parsonage, and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to Martins.

8. That we sincerely urge our parents not to forget the confirmation and Vacation Bible School; that they seriously consider their responsibility toward God in the nurturing and fostering of our church school family.

9. That in the reading of our daily devotion, "The Word in Season" we be ever mindful of the oneness of spirit we have with other praying members, and of the power that can be wrought by a praying congregation, community and nation.

10. We note with joy the reports of our financial officers both in the financial affairs of the church and her organizations and that we encourage our membership to make regular use of the weekly offering envelopes for current and benevolence expenses.

11. We note with joy and gratitude the progress made in the payment of our note with the Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Company and encourage our membership to make use of the monthly Building Fund envelopes.

12. That the Pastor's Cabinet consisting of the joint board, church school superintendent, organist, Choir Directors, financial secretary, custodian, cashier and the president or one representative from each church society, be reactivated to coordinate the working program of the church.

13. That we approve the continuance of the following committees:
    a. Art Window- Ebba Wicks, Mrs. C. O. Moberg, Mrs. J. Christians, William Seeborg, Clark Hedeen.
    b. Building Committee- R. W. Kullberg, J. E. Wicks, H. Slotte, Perry Mitchell, Mrs. F. Elfving, Miss Signe Enberg, Gunnar Johanson, Elmer Blomquist, Nels I. Rasmussen.

14. That finally, we earnestly urge all our members to commune with God in worship through the hearing of the Word and through the Grace of His Sacraments, setting aside each Sunday for this purpose, for the guarantee of Life Everlasting among His Saints in Heaven. These blessings we pray in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to Whom be the Glory and Power forever and ever, Amen.

MSC to thank the committee who wrote the resolutions.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned.
The meeting was closed with prayer and Benediction by the Pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Runar Rasmus, Sec.

These minutes were approved by the Joint Board on 1-23-59
signed

Minutes of the Twenty-first Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 10, 1951

8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. A hymn was sung by the congregation, followed by Scripture and Prayer by Pastor Roy W. Ryden.

Mrs. Runar Rasmus was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

Pastor Ryden read his annual report, as follows:

To the Trinity Lutheran Congregation
Astoria, Oregon

Grace and Peace !

"O Lord, revive Thy works in the midst of the years; in the midst of the years make it known; in wrath remember mercy." Habakkuk 3:2.

We are assembled for the twenty first annual meeting of the Trinity Lutheran congregation in mid-century. Only the work of God can prevail against the forces of paganism, secularism and nihilism that are fast engulfing the whole world. Only as we turn to God in repentance, trust and obedience can we hope to avert impending disaster. We must begin with ourselves personally and pray, "O Lord, revive Thy works in the midst of the years ... in wrath remember mercy," or we might put it in the words of a Chinese Christian's prayer, "Revive Thy Church, O Lord, beginning with me."

What the days ahead have in store for us we know not. God has mercifully drawn a veil over our tomorrows. One thing is certain. God's work will be accomplished. His purpose will prevail. The final victory will be His. It is given to us to share the victory with Him if we are willing to pay the price in terms of commitment to His will and purpose.

It is in and through His Church that the victory will be won, be it only a remnant that remains faithful.

We are reviewing the works of God in this congregation this evening and we gratefully acknowledge that this congregation is one in the fellowship of the Holy Christian Church, which St. Paul calls the Body of Christ and the Family of God. It is granted that we can review only the outward aspects of the congregation, but these outward aspects do indeed reveal much of its life and spirit. And we pray that God by His Holy Spirit will make us more keenly aware of what He wants us to do and that He will enkindle in us a spirit of urgency.

What then are the works of God which He has committed to His Church and which we shall now review?

I. <u>To preach the Gospel and to Administer the Sacraments.</u>

The business of the Church is to bear witness to the saving grace of God through Jesus Christ by means of the Word and the Sacraments. As members of His Church it is our joy and solemn obligation to be in our place of worship every Sunday morning, anything short of full and complete loyalty to our Christ and Saviour is idolatry. Fifty-two Sunday morning services were conducted during the past year, with a total attendance of 7,214. In addition, there were 26 other services of worship which includes our Lenten mid-week, Sunday evening Bible study, these totaled 1,586. 906 registered for communion at the 12 Communion Services this past year. The Sacrament of Baptism was administered to 40 children and 2 adults.

Adding to the beauty of our worship has been the services of our two choirs; the senior choir directed by Miss Ethel Wicks and the juniors by Mrs. Edgar Johnson, surely their efforts could be more genuinely appreciated by the congregation in greater support of the choirs. The ministry of music is an important phase of parish worship, we thank them for their services.

One of the most beautiful additions to our physical plant in recent years was the installation of another stain glass window, "The Four Evangelists," given by the Ladies Aid in memory of departed Aid members. I call to your attention the newly created Memorial Window Fund by which opportunity is given to memorialize departed loved ones in a new and living way. The treasurer of this fund announces an ingathering of $ 190.00 since our last annual meeting. Appropriate memorial cards are available in the church office.

II. <u>To Teach the Faith.</u>

In truth, it is not possible to separate preaching and teaching. Preaching and teaching go hand in hand. However, there is teaching that is not preaching, and there is preaching where the emphasis is on teaching and is not a part of the ordered worship.

We think particularly of the Church School, Vacation Bible School and

catechical instruction for our young people and adults seeking membership in the Lutheran Church. We are happy for the large number of parents in this community who have entrusted to us the christian education of their children in increasing numbers. We have noticed considerable growth, not so much numerically, our enrollment now totals 196, but our average attendance has been well over the 100 mark every Sunday. The congregation should give thanks to the Father of little children who has called our teachers and officers and laid upon their hearts the task of instructing the little ones. God grant them a fruitful ministry in the art of teaching, of feeding His lambs.

The vacation Bible School, held immediately following the close of our public schools was directed by our school superintendent, Mrs. Mark Youtsler. The total enrollment was 75 pupils, staffed by 5 teachers and officers. Our present enrollment includes: 18 Adult Bible Class, 172 pre-confirmation, 56 Cradle Roll and 6 in the confirmation class, staffed by 14 teachers and 3 officers.

III. To Provide Fellowship and Service Opportunities.

The saving knowledge of God through Jesus Christ is the most precious possession we have here on earth, and the primary task of the Church is to keep that knowledge alive through fellowship and worship. The fellowship of a worshipping congregation is the richest, and most inclusive, and the most far reaching of all fellowships.

In addition to this primary fellowship opportunity, there are the many fellowship gatherings. There are the several organizations; Ladies Aid, Women's Missionary Society, Daughters of Trinity, Brotherhood, Fellowship Club, and Luther League. There are the fellowships also that are geared definitely in the interest of service; The choirs, the church ushers, the Church School teachers and officers, the ushering staff, the church boards, and the various other fellowships of service.

IV. To Be a Fellowship of the Concerned.

No congregation lives unto itself. There must be concern for one another within the congregation. There must also be concern for those within the household of faith whose burdens are heavier than they can carry. And there must be concern for those who are out-side of the Christian fellowship.

The concern expresses itself in at least four ways:

1. By Prayer. No greater release of power is possible than by prayer, praying with and for one another. How dare we forget or ignore praying for those out-side of the faith within the community as well as all men everywhere. No one can read the epistles of that great missionary St. Paul without observing his constant emphasis on praying for others.

2. By Invitation. Within our community there are so many who are not a part of the church of Christ to whom we can and should extend the invitation. This should always remain the deep concern of every child of God. This year we shall take definite steps to muster the lay membership into an effective and willing soul-winning congregation. There are not so few members who are showing real concern.

Since we gathered for the last annual meeting 2 have been received into the congregation by adult baptism; 7 by adult confirmation; 5 by restoration; 11 by transfer; 9 children were added to the communicant membership by confirmation.

There have been losses also. With deep regret it must be reported that 23 members were dropped. They, in truth, dropped themselves out of the church but the church's concern for them must never be relinquished. Death removed 5 from the parish in the past year. 19 members moved and had their membership transferred to other congregations. We might add, that of the number dropped the majority are those who have moved out of this community and have failed to have their membership transferred.

3. By Bearing Burdens. The Lord Jesus spoke about "a cup of water in his name" as service to God. There are the burdens of poverty, sorrow, pain, loneliness. There are also the burdens of broken homes, unhappy homes, drunkenness, and the like. Those who live daily on the mercy of God do not find it hard to be merciful and understanding towards others. They are the members who make it possible for the church to be a House of Mercy and a burden bearer.

There is also the burden bearing that we share together for those outside the parish limits. We think of Lutheran World Action and the $ 330.00 provided for that purpose. None of us will ever know the blessing which Lutheran World Action has brought to thousands upon thousands. We must redeem ourselves in falling far below our quota for 1950 by heaping the measure in this year of grace 1951. We think also of the many institutions of mercy which we indirectly help to sustain through our conference allocation of $ 1750.00 which we paid in full. Thank God.

4. By Supporting the Total Missionary Program of the Whole Church. A substantial part of the conference and synodical allocations each year goes to missions at home and abroad. Our allocation for the coming year is $ 2080.00. Of that amount $ 465.00 may be specifically allocated by our congregation as additional gifts to Oregon Lutheran Welfare, Columbia Home for the Aged, Pacific

and honest consideration.

As we pray, "O Lord, revive Thy works in the midst of the years. In the midst of the years make them known", we must ask ourselves some questions, and as we ask the questions we must also pray, "Give each of us grace to answer honestly, O Lord."

Some of the questions are:

1. Am I growing in the grace and knowledge of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ?

2. Am I steadfast in the worship? Are my excuses for staying away from worship honorable before myself, let alone before Thee?

3. Do I take time for the daily reading of God's Word and for prayer?

4. Am I concerned about those who are outside of the fellowship of Christ and His Church? How many have I invited or brought to church during the past year?

5. Do I serve the church with the talents and time I have? Or do I leave all service to others and then wonder why my church is not as effective as it should be?

6. Do I speak well of my church, or am I critical and peevish?

7. Have I supported my church financially in keeping with my blessings and thereby acknowledge that God and His Kingdom come first? Is my financial support such that it helps the congregation to contribute as much for others as it does to maintain itself? Am I prayerfully considering what my financial support is going to be, God willing, for the new year?

8. Have I faced sorrow, pain, anxiety with Christian hope, and confidence?

9. Do I purpose to glorify God in Christ in all of life's relationships- at home, at work, in recreation as well as in church?

May the Lord of the Church guide and bless us as we are met tonight to discharge the business of the kingdom.

Roy W. Ryden

January 10, 1951

MSC that the Pastoral report be accepted as read.

Financial reports, Benevolent Treasurer's, Current Treasurer's and the Building Fund report were read by Pastor Ryden, and also the various other organizations of the Church.

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Benevolent treasurer		
Envelope Offering	$ 1667.92	
Luth. World Action	330.62	
Pension Fund Appeal	118.00	
From Ladies Aid	150.00	
" Daughters of Trinity	150.00	
Misc.	256.40	$ 2672.94
To Current Treasurer		
Initial Offering	$ 28.76	
Envelope Offering	5249.34	
Loose	792.10	
Misc.	1194.49	$ 7264.69
To Building Fund Treasurer		
		$ 1903.57
Offerings	$ 1903.57	$ 11841.20

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENT TREASURER

Balance 1-50		$ 6.65
Receipts:		
Envelopes	1667.92	
LWA	330.62	
Baptisms	110.00	
D. of T.	150.00	
L. A.	150.00	
Pension Appeal	118.00	
Misc.	146.40	2672.94
		2679.59
Expenditures 1950		2617.49
Balance 1-51		$ 62.10

REPORT OF THE CURRENT TREASURER

Balance 1-50		$ 88.11
Receipts:		
1st quarter	1405.39	
2nd "	2403.03	
3rd "	1340.48	
4th "	2115.79	7264.69
		7352.80
Expenditures 1950		6997.18
Balance 1-51		$ 355.62

BENEVOLENCES

	Budget 1950	Expenditures 1950	Budget 1951
Conference	1750.00	1750.00	2080.00
District Fares	35.00	none	38.50
Pension & Aid	380.00	380.00	375.00
L. W. A.	767.00	330.62	unknown
Pension Fund Appeal	846.00	118.00	652.00
Parish Supply (Baptismal Certificates	none	13.87	
Augustana Mission Advance	Offering	25.00	Offering
	3778.00	2617.49	3145.50

CURRENT

	Budget 1950	Expenditures 1950	Budget 1951
Pastor's Salary	2700.00	2700.00	3000.00
Pastor's Ass't.	150.00	none	150.00
Choir Directing	270.00	270.00	360.00
Organist	420.00	420.00	420.00
Custodian	420.00	420.00	420.00
Church Music & Hymnals	40.00	106.63	50.00
Office Ass't.	50.00	none	25.00
Utilities	1100.00	507.43	450.00
Fuel		540.79	550.00
Taxes	140.00	135.85	140.00
Insurance	300.00	211.40	165.00
Repairs & Maintenance	350.00	534.98	350.00
Church Supplies	350.00	320.94	200.00
Postage	135.00	185.58	100.00
Publicity	60.00		160.00
Car Allowance	250.00	250.00	250.00
Church Bus	150.00	none	100.00
Ignitor		300.00	
Miscellaneous		93.58	
	6860.00	6997.18	6790.00
BENEVOLENCE	3778.00	2617.49	3145.50
	$ 10,638.00	$ 9,614.67	$ 9,935.50

BUILDING FUND

Balance 1-50		$ 241.86
Receipts 1950		1903.57
		2145.43
Expenditures 1950		
Monthly payments	727.20	
Additional Pay.	1250.00	1977.20
Balance 1-51		$ 168.23

Approximate balance on note $ 5400.00

LUTHER LEAGUE

Balance 1-50		3.87
Receipts		
Offerings & Dues		27.50
		31.37
Expenditures 1950		
Conf. Luther L.	6.00	
Fellowship Off.	11.62	
District Dues	9.00	26.62
Balance 1951		4.75

CHURCH SCHOOL

Balance 1-50		$ 121.10
Receipts 1950		797.15
		918.25
Expenditures 1950		
Augustana Book Con.	321.31	
Methodist	17.70	
Parish Supply	35.88	
Films & Equip.	40.64	
Missions	28.53	
Bus	116.25	
Misc.	159.19	719.50
Balance 1951		$ 189.75

MEMORIAL WINDOW FUND

Receipts 1950	$ 190.00

BROTHERHOOD

Balance 1-50		72.61
Receipts		
Dues	24.00	
Dinners	60.72	
Thanks-giving dinner	123.79	
		208.51
		281.12
Expenditures 1950		
Kitchen Repairs		162.50
Misc.		73.65
Balance 1951		$ 44.97

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:		
Offerings	218.10	
Dues	16.50	234.60
Expenditures:		
Total for 1950		231.40
Balance 1-51		3.20

JUNIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts:	
Offerings	31.43
Expenditures:	31.43
Balance	none

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Balance 1-50		21.96
Receipts:		
Collections	63.28	
Auction	13.68	
Dinner	10.03	86.99
		108.95
Expenditures:		
Total for 1950		104.79
Balance 1-51		4.16

DAUGHTERS OF TRINITY

Balance 1-50		205.11
Receipts		
Offerings	179.87	
Sale	223.19	403.06
		608.17
Expenditures:		
Electric Stove	136.66	
Larson Electric	61.79	
Church	150.00	
Misc.	160.97	509.42
Balance 1-51		98.75

LADIES AID

Checking Receipts.

Balance 1-50	592.76
Transfer from Savings Acc.	1875.00
Cash Donations	51.85
Annual Sale	345.70
Rummage Sale	229.15
Vanilla	35.50
Dish Cloths	26.50
	3156.46
Expenditures:	
Fuller Company	1875.00
Insurance	33.00
Mdse.	72.96
Stove and wiring	653.14
Dishes	46.00
Plumbing	149.30
Charity	20.00
	2910.00
Balance 1-51	$ 246.46

Savings Account

Balance 1-50	3246.99
Collections	167.68
Interest	29.15
	3443.82
Expenditures	
Transfer to checking	1875.00
	1568.82

Other Assets
10 Government Bonds @ $ 18.50

MSC that these reports be accepted as given.

The following auditors report was read by the secretary:

January 7, 1951

To the Trinity Lutheran Church-

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the Cashier, Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Fund Treasurer, the Church School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies' treasurers of the congregation, as summarized in the report, and believe the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed Dorothy A. Holdaway
E. W. Blomquist
G. W. Johanson

MSC that the report of the auditors be accepted.

The Budget for the year 1951 was presented by Pastor Ryden. MSC that Benevolence budget for 1951 be accepted. MSC that the Current Budget for 1951 be accepted.

The following tellers were appointed by the pastor: Mrs. Andrew Young, chairman; Miss Eleanor Iverson, Mrs. Clark Hedeen and Mrs. Arthur Stromsness. The official ballot, which represented nominations by the Pastor's Cabinet, was passed out to voting members present and motion was made and carried that these nominations be accepted with the following additions: Edgar Johnson and J. E. Wicks for trustees; Pastor Ryden for Emanuel Hospital Charity Board; Elmer Blomquist, J. E. Wicks, Mrs. J. E. Wicks and Miss Signe Enberg for Conference Delegate and Alternate; Clark Hedeen, Wm. Seeborg and P. A. Olsen for District Delegate and Alternate. Pastor Ryden read the nominations.

Results of the Election of Church Officers were as follows:

Trustees
- Arnold Swanson 51-52-53
- Elmer Blomquist 51-52-53
- Edgar Johnson 51-52-53
- Fritz Elfving 51-52

Deacons
- Gunnar Johanson 51-52-53
- Nels Rasmussen 51-52-53
- Roscoe Lackey 51-52-53
- Harold Killion 51-52
- Chester Balsley 51
- Richard Tennant 51
- Edward Westersund 51

Emanuel Charity Board
- Edgar Johnson 51-52-53
- P. A. Olsen 51-52-53
- Pastor Ryden 51-52-53
- Arthur Kvistad 51-52

Auditors
- Ann Fausett
- Arnold Swanson
- Roscoe Lackey

Conference Delegate
- J. E. Wicks

Alternate-Elmer Blomquist

District Delegate
- P. A. Olsen

Alternate-Clark Hedeen

Present member: Gunnar Johanson 49-50-51

The following resolutions from the committee appointed by the Pastor's Cabinet were read by the secretary. Each resolution was adopted separately. All resolutions with the exception of No. 8 were adopted unanimously. MSC to amend resolution No. 8 to read as follows: We recommend that the congregation designate the Board of Administration and the Building Committee to immediately set upon the task of securing factual information leading to the bricking of the church building and report to the congregation as soon as possible. MSC to adopt resolution No. 8. Dr. R. W. Kullberg wrote an additional resolution which is No. 12, and reads as follows: Because of the influence foreign mission work has had toward solving world problems, we recommend giving special support to this work both in encouraging workers to prepare for this task as well as giving all possible financial support. MSC to adopt resolution No. 12.

RESOLUTIONS by Committee Appointed by The Pastor's Cabinet

RESOLVED THAT:

1. That we the Trinity family, thank God for His many blessings bestowed upon us during the year 1950 and pray that He will fill us with His Holy Spirit and give us the sincere desire to draw souls to Christ; and we urge our members to show friendliness to the new members and invite them to participate in the various activities of the Church.

2. We gratefully acknowledge the services rendered by the board members whose terms expire at this meeting: Arthur Johanson, Arthur Kvistad, Arthur Stromsness and Perry Mitchell of the Trustees; Clark Hedeen, William Seeborg, Edward Norgard, Arthur Fager, Theodore Christians, Chester Weaver and Edward Hillstrom of the Church Council.

3. We express appreciation for the faithful service of the Pastor and the many who have served on boards and committees, ushers, organist and choir directors, choir members, church school teachers, secretary of the congregation, cashier and treasurers.

4. We are grateful for the new art window (The Four Evangelists) and recommend to the congregation the opportunity to contribute to the Memorial Window Fund.

5. We join in expressing sympathy to the families of the 5 members and one child of Trinity who have departed this life during the year and pray that the God of all comfort will sustain them in their bereavement. (Rising vote and prayer).

6. We remember our members who are in the armed services of our country with prayers that God may keep them and protect them, and that the peace of God will keep their hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

7. That we recommend the establishment of an armed services committee.

8. We recommend that the congregation designate the Board of Administration and the Building Committee to immediately set upon the task of securing factual information leading to the bricking of the church building and report to the congregation as soon

9. We note with appreciation that Trinity has through the combined efforts of her membership met her financial obligations, but we should view with concern our lack of support to Lutheran World Action and make every effort to heap the measure in 1951.

10. Despite present world conditions let us remember that God's work must ever go forward, let us consecrate ourselves to the task of furthering His kingdom through our Church.

11. That we urge all our members to commune with God in the Sunday morning worship through the hearing of the Word and the grace of the Blessed Sacraments, and at home faithfully to read the Bible and other devotional material.

12. Because of the influence foreign mission work has had toward solving world problems, we recommend giving special support to this work both in encouraging workers to prepare for this task as well as giving all possible financial support.

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Signe Enberg
Mrs. Mark Youtsler
Mrs. Henry Larson

MSC to thank the committee who wrote the resolutions.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned.
The meeting was closed with prayer by the Pastor and the Benediction by the Pastor and congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Runar Rasmus

Mrs. Runar Rasmus, Sec.

Approved by Board of Administration 1-12-51

Norma M Lackey, sec.

April 30, 1951 at 8:00 P.M. Pastor Ryden read Scripture and offered prayer.
In the absence of the congregational sec'y Mrs. R. Rasmus, Mrs. Harold Killion was appointed sec'y Protem.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Harold Killion, Sec'y protem.
Rosae M. Lackey
Secretary of the Council

The adjourned meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Congregation May 7, 1951

The special meeting was called to order Monday, May 7, 1951 at 8:30 P.M.
Pastor Ryden read Scripture and offered prayer.
In the absence of the congregational sec'y Mrs. R. Rasmus, Mrs. A. Young was appointed sec'y protem.
MSC That Robert's Rules of Order be suspended for the meeting.
Letters regarding the bricking of the church, received from Mr. A.V.Peterson, Mr. O.R.Lyman, and a report of conversation with Mr. John Helstrom, were given by Pastor Ryden. The pastor also read letters from The Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Company, and bids on painting submitted by Moyer-Levey and Mogenson.
A general discussion of bricking, painting and repairs of the church followed with the following action taken.
MSC"That the pastor appoint a committee to seek further information regarding the bricking of the church, said committee to be approved by the board of Ad."
MSC"The congregation empower the Board of Administration to have the church painted inside, paint the outside trim, make necessary repairs of the church, paint the parish house outside, and arrange for financing of the project.
MS that the motion be amended to include the following " to paint the shingles on the church". Amendment lost.
Original motion was passed.

Respectfully

Mrs. A. Young
Mrs. A. Young
Rosae M. Lackey
Secretary of the Council

Minutes of the Twenty-second Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 14, 1952

8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Hymn No. 206 was sung by the congregation followed by Scripture and Prayer, Hebrews 12:1, by Pastor Roy W. Ryden.

Mrs. Runar Rasmus was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

Pastor Ryden read his annual report, as follows:

To the Trinity Lutheran Congregation
Astoria, Oregon
January 14th, 1952

Grace and Peace.

"The earth breaks asunder,
The earth cracks asunder,
The earth shakes asunder,
The earth reels like a drunkard,
And sways like a hammock;
Its rebellion lies heavily upon it,
And it will fall to rise no more." Isa. 24:19-20

There was a time when we could listen to such words without much feeling and understanding. Those days are gone. Today the foundations do shake. The phrase "the earth breaks asunder" is no longer poetic imagery, a mere figure of speech, but hard reality.

The foundations of the earth do indeed tremble, and yet God's grace and mercy shine through. It is still the Day of Grace. To the faithful there comes the word of assurance from Him who has conquered death, hell, and the grave, "heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away."

We are privileged to gather for the twenty-second annual meeting of this Trinity congregation. God alone knows the results of the preaching of the Gospel and the administering of the Sacraments through the years. It is by His grace that His work in our midst continues.

This report is a brief survey of the activities of the parish for the past year.

1. WORSHIP

With the assurance and the conviction that His Word "shall not pass away" nor return unto Him void we continue to preach the whole council of God and administer the Sacraments as directed. Fifty-two Sunday morning services conducted this past year shows a total attendance of 7,218, averaging almost 140 per Sunday. (average June, July, August 103-the remaining 9 mo. averaged 170.)

In addition, there was 24 other services of worship and instruction which includes Lenten mid-week, Sunday evening Bible study, Prayer Week in December, these totaled 1,787. 1,101 registered for communion at the 12 communion services this past year. The Sacrament of Baptism was administered to 35 children and after proper instruction to 7 adults.

Adding to the beauty of our worship has been the services of our two choirs; the senior choir directed by Miss Ethel Wicks, and juniors by Mrs. Edgar Johnson. The ministry of music is an important phase of parish worship and we thank the directors and the choirs for their faithful services.

We rejoice in the solidarity given to life in the acceptance of the Word of God, but this solidarity can only be maintained by a faithful reading of The Word, attendance at divine worship and much prayer. Our common sin is lukewarmness, if it is not convenient we are absent from the regularly scheduled meetings of the church including Sunday worship. The angels message to the church of Laodicea should cause not a little thinking among our people. "So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold or hot, I will spew you out of my mouth." Rev. 3:16

2. INSTRUCTION

St. Paul said, "I know whom I have believed" and so it is the privilege and responsibility of the Church to instruct in the Word that all men might come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved.

Through our adult instruction program 14 adults became members of this congregation by Adult Confirmation and 6 young people in like manner after a 9 month course of instruction.

The Church School should be a source of great joy to every member of the congregation because through our school we are reaching out to 182 pupils of preconfirmation age with a competent staff of 14 teachers and 3 officers. A Vacation

Bible School was conducted for two weeks immediately following the closing of the public schools. A program of mission education has been continued the first Sunday of every month by Mrs. Edmund Elliott. The Juniors contributed $72.05 to the mission program of the church in 1951. The Church School is the most important link in the program of congregational life and growth and has proven again and again to be the source of bringing unchurched parents into a vital relationship with Christ and His Church.

3. CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The saving knowledge of God through Christ is the most precious possession we have on earth, and the primary task of the Church is to keep that knowledge alive through fellowship and worship. The fellowship of a worshipping congregation is the richest, and the most inclusive, and the most far reaching of all fellowships.

In addition to this primary fellowship opportunity, the church societies in a congregation are the hands and feet expressing thanksgiving to God in errands and deeds of love. Cooperation among the societies has been most effectual in meeting additional financial needs of the congregation.

4. SOME IMPORTANT ITEMS

First among these sundry items is the recent Religious Church Survey conducted by the Astoria churches last October 14th. The congregation participated 100% in the total program as outlined at the time. Many of the members took an active part in the survey and the personal visitations which followed. We are indeed grateful to Dr. Durden of the Baptist Church for guiding the entire program. Although none of the participating churches witnessed any startling growth in membership as a result of the survey, it has been the general opinion of the pastors, that the united effort of the churches in the city had a wholesome influence upon community at large.

Second, is the matter of general repairs. Extensive repairs and improvements on the church property have been made during the year, with the result that it is now in fairly good condition. The parish house and trim on the church were painted, old gutter boxes replaced, a new floor laid in the nursery, the interior of the church decorated, and every possible means was employed to make the church water tight. Roof coating has been purchased and will be applied when weather permits. The Ladies Aid provided funds for the interior decoration, the remaining funds were raised by two dinners and personal contributions. The approximate cost was $2,700.00.

In 1952 additional funds should be raised to continue with extensive repairs and painting on both the church and parish house. Let us never allow our church building deplorable conditions again.

Third is that of finances. The financial Secretary reported an income of $13,008.65 which was distributed as designated -

Current expenses	$6,648.42
Benevolences	3,191.47
Parsonage reduction and General Repair	3,076.90
Piano Fund	91.86

The expenditure of these funds you will find given in the mimeographed reports. The total expenditure for the operation of the church including all societies is as follows:

Total operational cost	$7,781.27
Improvements, Taxes, Debt payments	4,075.31
Pension Fund	388.00
Benevolent Expenditures	3,084.57
	$15,329.15

5. PERSONNEL

The term of office for the following deacons, who were elected at the last annual meeting to fill unexpired terms, terminate at this meeting, Chester Balsley, Edward Westerlund and Richard Tennent. Of the trustees, Edward Kaltern, Charles Swanson and Herman Slotte have completed their term of three years on the board. These men have served faithfully and honorably on their respective boards, to them and all our personnel should be accorded a rising vote of thanks.

(I may say, right here and now, a sincere thanks to all who have supported the church this past year....and truly we all work to glorify Jesus Christ, the Lord of the Church.)

6. IN MEMORIUM

The following members of Trinity passed away last year.

Mrs. Christine Johnson, passed away January 21, 1951 at the age of 81 years, 11 mo. and 16 days.

William H. Wisbeck, passed away September 25, 1951 at the age of 66 years, 7 mo. and 17 days.

Sophia Nelson, passed away December 6, 1951 at the age of 72 years, 11 mo. and 11 days.

Thomas Herman Slotte, infant son of Truman Slotte, passed away October 29, 1951 at the age of 5 days.

Many of our members have lost loved ones, near and far. May they be comforted with the assurance, that all who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ have not died but have passed from death into life.

7. TRINITY BOYS IN THE COUNTRY'S SERVICE

It is said that our country is not at war and yet American boys by the thousands are suffering and dying in combat on the Korean front. While we are grateful that no casualties involving Trinity boys have been reported, we are mindful of the anxiety that has invaded many homes. And God only knows what our suicidal foreign policy will lead us into. According to the best information at our disposal, the following men from our parish are in the country's service:

Joseph Carlson
Duane Hansen
Alton Hanson
Delbert Jumisko
Henry Larsen
Ivan Dalgren
Walter Nelson
James Olsen
Donald Seeborg
Theodore Simonsen

Truly did Isaiah write, "The earth breaks asunder" and yet in all life's changing ways the Word of the living God remains constant and the Church continues to remain the voice of one crying in the wilderness, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, makes you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Yours in Jesus' name.

Pastor Ryden.

MSC that the Pastoral report be accepted as read.

Bob Roeser read Resolution 1 and 2 from the Pastor's Cabinet Resolutions. Both resolutions were adopted separately, and both were adopted unanimously.

Financial report, Benevolent Treasurer's, Current Treasurer's and the Building Fund reports were presented to the congregation by Pastor Ryden and a discussion followed.

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

To Benevolent treasurer		
Envelope Offering	$ 1816.91	
L. W. A.	303.27	
P. L. C. Appeal	256.60	
Lenten Offering	401.69	
Baptism Gratuities	113.00	
Ladies Aid	150.00	
Daughters of Trinity	150.00	$ 3191.47
To Current treasurer		
Initial	25.20	
Loose	927.55	
Envelope	5127.47	
Miscellaneous	568.20	6648.42
To Repair and Parsonage Reduction Fund		
Designated	3076.90	3076.90
Piano Fund		
Designated	91.86	91.86
		$ 13,008.65

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENT TREASURER

Receipts		
Balance 1-51		62.10
Envelopes	1816.91	
L. W. A.	303.27	
P. L. C. Appeal	256.60	
Lenten Offering	401.69	
Baptismal Grat.	113.00	
Ladies Aid	150.00	
Daughters of Tri.	150.00	3191.47
		3253.57
Total Expenditures '51		3166.37
Balance 1-'52		87.20

REPORT OF THE CURRENT TREASURER

Receipts		
Balance 1-51		355.62
1st Quarter	1819.74	
2nd "	1466.17	
3rd "	1409.81	
4th "	1952.70	6648.42
		7004.04
Expenditures '51		6807.29
Balance 1-'52		196.75

BENEVOLENCE Expenditures

	Budget 1951	Exped. 1951	Budget 1952
Conference			
Portland District	2080.00	2080.00	2080.00
Pension and Aid	38.50	38.50	38.50
Baptismal Certificates	388.00	388.00	400.00
Augustana Mission Advance	none	none	15.00
L. W. A.	Offering	100.00	Offering
P. L. C.	Offering	303.27	Offering
	Offering	[illegible]	
		3166.37	2533.00

A special appeal will be made in behalf of Augustana Theological Seminary in 1952... our share in this appeal will be $ 725.00

CURRENT Expenditures

	Budget 1951	Expend. 1951	Budget 1952
Pastor's Salary	3000.00	3000.00	3120.00
Pastor's Assistant	150.00	40.00	100.00
Choir Directing	360.00	385.00	360.00
Organist	420.00	420.00	420.00
Custodian	420.00	350.00	420.00
Lawn Care (mower)			100.00
Music & Hymnals	50.00		50.00
Office Assistant	25.00		25.00
Utilities	450.00	Organ. . . 75.00	600.00
Fuel	550.00	513.11	550.00
Taxes	140.00	614.80	185.00
Insurance	165.00	183.74	165.00
Repair and Maintenance	350.00	71.63	350.00
Church Supplies	200.00	319.50	250.00
Postage	100.00	378.13	100.00
Publicity	100.00	158.28	100.00
Car Allowance	250.00	250.00	350.00
Miscellaneous		48.10	
	6790.00	[illegible]	7[illegible].00
Benevolence	3145.50	3166.37	2533.00
	9935.50	[illegible]	9[illegible].00

Parsonage Reduction Fund

Balance, 1-51	168.23	
Receipts	1354.[illegible]	
	1523.1[illegible]	
Expenditures	1287.50	
Balance 1-52	235.68	

General Repairs

Receipts			1721.75
Expenditures			
Brookfield Co.	74.14		
Helstrom Const.	181.16		
Moyer Paint	898.50		
City Lumber	129.02		
Roof Coating	181.55		1464.37
			257.38

Memorial Window Fund

Balance 1-51	190.00	
Receipts	218.50	
Balance 1-52	408.50	

Fellowship Club

Balance 1-51	4.16	
Offerings	111.70	115.86
Disbursements		
Nursery	19.00	
Aug. Book Concern	31.00	
Misc.	59.02	109.02
		6.84
Cash on hand		9.54
Balance 1-52		16.38

Daughters of Trinity

Balance 1-51		98.75
Receipts		
Offering & sale of cook books	97.44	
Jitney Supper	60.20	
Postal Aux. L.	25.50	
Gift Shop & tea	219.58	402.72
		501.47
Expenditures		
Misc.	39.71	
Kitchen utensils	21.00	
Repair Fund	150.00	
Benevolence Fund	150.00	360.71
Balance 1-52		140.76

Church School

Balance 1.-51		198.75
Offerings		1001.03
		1199.78
Disbursements		
Aug. Book Con.	299.20	
Methodist	26.50	
Parish Supply	65.80	
Bus	275.75	
Missions	79.05	
Misc.	65.08	811.38
Balance 1-52		388.40

Ladies Aid

Checking acct.		
Balance 1-51		246.46
Transfer from savings		1300.00
Cash Donations		35.00
Annual Sale & Dinners		866.70
Rummage sale		221.57
Other sales		56.00
		2745.73
Disbursements		
Repair Fund	625.00	
Benevolence ($150.00 in 1950)	300.00	
Moyer Paint	1200.00	
Mdse.	279.41	
Missions	45.20	
Memorial	5.00	2454.61
Balance 1-52		291.12

Brotherhood

Balance 1-51		
Dues		44.97
Dinners		16.00
Christmas Offering		182.50
		14.00
		257.47
Disbursements		
For Meals	100.00	
Y. W. C. A.	20.00	
Christmas Party	23.88	243.87
Balance 1-52		13.60

Savings acct.

Balance 1-51	1580.17
Offerings	140.70
Interest	11.33
	1732.20
Disbursements	
Transfer to Checking	1300.00
Balance 1-52	432.20

Womens Missionary Society

Offerings and contributions		251.71
Dues		16.50
		268.21
Disbursements		
Foreign & Home Missions		
Administration totals		268.21
Balance 1-52		NONE

Junior Missionary Society

Offerings in 1951		79.05
Disbursements		
World Friendship Fund	36.38	
Bethphage Mission	5.00	
Thank Offering	37.67	79.05
Balance 1-52		NONE

Other assets

10 Savings Bonds @ $ 18.50

Trinity Reserve Fund 108.50

Luther League

Balance 1-52 $ 4.75

MSC that these reports be accepted as given.

The following auditors report was read by the secretary:

January 6, 1952

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Fund Treasurer, Church School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies in the congregation, as summarized in this report, and believe the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed Clark V. Hedeen
Ann L. Fausett
A. C. Swanson

MSC that the report of the auditors be accepted.

The Budget for the year 1952 was read by Edgar Johnson. MSC that Benevolence budget for 1952 be accepted. MSC that the Current budget for 1952 be accepted.

The following tellers were appointed by the pastor: Jerry Westersund, Chuck Killian and Ed White. The official ballot, which represented nominations by the Pastor's Cabinet, was passed out to voting members present and motion was made and carried that these nominations be accepted with the following additions: Andrew Young for trustee; Robert Roeser and Mr. Moberg, Sr. for deacons; Mrs. Orville Kelsey and Mrs. Ethel Elfving for Conference Delegate and alternate; Mrs. Werth and Arthur Stromsness for District Delegate and alternate. Pastor Ryden read the nominations.

Results of the Election of Church Officers were as follows:

Trustees
- Larry Snyder
- Ward Paldanius
- Andrew Young

Deacons
- Harold Werth
- Chester Balsley
- Robert Roeser

Emanuel Hospital Charity Board
- Harold Killion 52-53-54

Auditors
- Ann Fausett
- Arnold Swanson
- Elmer Blomquist

Conference Delegate
- Mrs. Orville Kelsey

Alternate--Mrs. Ethel Elfving

District Delegate
- Mrs. Harold Werth

Alternate--Arthur Stromsness

Mr. J. E. Wicks gave a report on the paneling and doors of the chancel. MSC to accept Mr. Wick's report.

The following resolutions from the committee appointed by the Pastor's Cabinet were read by Mrs. Orville Kelsey, with the exception of the first two, which were read by Bob Roeser. Each resolution was adopted separately. All resolutions were adopted unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS from the PASTOR'S CABINET

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That we, as members of the EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN TRINITY CONGREGATION, humbly give thanks to our heavenly Father for His bountiful care and His manifold blessings during the year 1951, praying similarly for strength and guidance that we may so conduct our lives spiritually and morally as to merit His continued love and mercy.

2. That it be our earnest prayer, that God grant us wisdom to conduct the deliberations of this twenty-second annual meeting of our beloved Church in Christian spirit, to the end that His will, not ours, be done.

3. That we urge daily devotions in all homes by reading the Word of God, offering thanks and praise to Him for His daily blessings and that we use the daily devotional guide which the Church furnishes each family for these meditations.

4. That we urge all parents and guardians to keep in mind their spiritual and moral obligation to give Christian education to the youth of our Church in the home, the Church school, confirmation classes, Bible study groups, attendance at worship services and participation in the Blessed Sacraments, exemplifying true Christian living by themselves attending the Holy functions of the Church.

5. That we offer our gratitude to Pastor Ryden for his every act of kindness and especially for his excellent and sincere preaching of the Word of God during his six years of ministry to us, praying God's blessing upon him and his family and further, that we are grateful to his good wife for her help to him and to us.

6. That we are grateful to all those who in one way or another, have worked in the various organizations of the Church, thus making possible the well-rounded program of Christian education which has been offered to the members and to the community, and that we are not unmindful of the fine work done by our Deacons and Trustees, especially those whose terms of office now expire.

7. That we be not forgetful of our Church school superintendent and teachers for their many hours of willing and conscientious service in the Christian education of our youngsters, remembering also with sincere appreciation the organist, choir directors, ushers, custodian, the officers of the various Church societies, including the secretary, cashier and financial secretary of the congregation for their efficient and untiring efforts.

8. That those who have suffered bereavement during 1951 may find comfort in Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

9. That we express our gratitude to Dr. Durden for his effecient direction of the religious church survey, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to him.

10. That we do not forget those who are away from home, especially the young men and women in military service, praying fervently that God will bless and protect them.

11. That we earnestly petition our Saviour for an end to the present world unrest and strife and that His guidance might be sought by the leaders of the world so that Christ might rule in the hearts of men.

12. That we, as beneficiaries of God's Kingdom on earth, pledge ourselves to return, with humility and gratitude, of our substance and talents to Him as He has blessed us and that we remember with gifts to the Memorial Fund of the Church, the beloved Saints of God whom He has called to Himself.

13. That we pray that Trinity might increasingly become an instrument of encouragement, hope and joy, and a beacon toward the salvation of souls, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Sincerely submitted,
William Seeborg,
Robert Roeser
Goldie Kelsey

MSC to thank the committee who wrote the resolution.

Motion made and carried to have No. 5 in the By-Laws to read as follows:

5. No deacon or trustee shall serve more than one term or any portion there-of in immediate succession and shall not be eligible for election to either board for one year after expiration of the one term.

MSC that ballots be accepted and destroyed.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned.
The meeting was closed with the Benediction by the Pastor and the congregation in unison.

Respectfully submitted,

[illegible]
Mr. [illegible], Secy.

Minute Approved by the Board of Administration
21 January 1952

D.B. [illegible]
Secy of the Board

Minutes of the Twenty-third Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 14, 1953

8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened by the pastor in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. A hymn was sung by the congregation followed by Scripture and Prayer by Mr. Gordon Storaasli.

Mrs. Runar Rasmus was unanimously elected secretary of the congregation for the ensuing year.

Pastor Ryden read his annual report, as follows:

To the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church
Astoria, Oregon

Dear friends in Christ.

"Do you not know that your body is a temple
of the Holy Spirit within you, which you
have from God? You are not your own; you
were bought with a price.
So glorify God in your body." I Corinthians 6:19,20 RSV

"Surely in temple made with hands
God, the Most High, is not dwelling:
Far above earth His temple stands,
All earthly temples excelling;
For He whom heavens can not contain
Chose to abide on earth with men;
Build in our bodies His temple."

The Church is a divinely-willed fellowship with a definite God-given mission and specific God-given means for accomplishing it. Its business is to do the will of God, and the place where that is to be done is in the world. Hence, what is said and done in the church's services of worship must have a direct relation to the things done and said everywhere else. The Means of Grace and liturgy exist in order to give to human life its true direction in relation to God, and to bind men in fellowship with one another. What is by its nature a worshipping community is at one and the same time a witnessing and working community, which exists for the sake of the world and fulfills the purpose of its existence in the measure that its "light so shines before men, that they may see its good works and glorify our Father who is in heaven."

We are reviewing the works of God in this congregation this evening and we gratefully acknowledge that this congregation is one in the fellowship of the Holy Christian Church, which St. Paul calls the Body of Christ and the Family of God. It is granted that we can review only the outward aspects of the congregation, but these outward aspects do indeed reveal much of its life and spirit. And we pray that God by His Holy Spirit will make us more keenly aware of what He wants us to do and that He will enkindle in us a spirit of urgency.

WORSHIP

Worship is, on the one hand, the experience of God coming to man. On the other hand, it is the response which [illegible] coming man in the hearts of the repentive. Any [illegible] repentance, self-dedication or faith is the result of God causing His grace to be born in us anew. The worship service, therefore, gives not only the opportunity for [illegible] without which there can be no fruit of the Spirit.

[illegible] church it is our joy and solemn obligation to be in our place of worship every Sunday morning, anything short of [illegible] loyalty to our Christ and Savior is idolatry. Fifty-two Sunday morning services were conducted during the past year, with a total attendance of [illegible]. In addition 1,386 attended other services of worship which includes our Lenten mid-week, Reformation, thanksgiving, and Christmas services.

[illegible],042 participated in the 11 communion services this past year. This figure represents about [illegible] of our confirmed members. [illegible] during the past year. The sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered to [illegible] children and [illegible] adults.

Adding to the beauty of our worship has been the services of our two choirs; the junior choir directed by Miss Ether Wicks and the junior by Mrs. Roger [illegible], the senior choir directed by [illegible]. Surely their efforts could be more generously appreciated by the congregation by greater support of the choirs. The ministry of music is an important phase of parish worship, we thank all of them for their services.

EDUCATION

In truth, it is not possible to separate worship from education and teaching from preaching, they go hand in hand for any Christian of a Reformed, [illegible] Christian life.

We thank particularly the Church School, [illegible] the Lutheran Church. We are happy for the large [illegible] community who have entrusted to us the [illegible] increasing [illegible]. Our school [illegible] attendance of 100 pupils. Fifteen [illegible] spiritual needs of our children. [illegible] Father of little children who has called our teachers and officers and laid upon their hands the task of instructing the little ones. [illegible] spirit and truth and find themselves called to the ministry of reconciliation, being ambassadors with Christ. Christian work, like Christian worship, is response to a Person in terms of absolute surrender and dedication.

FELLOWSHIP IN WORSHIP AND WORK

In the third article of the Apostles' Creed we confess our faith in the "Holy Christian Church, the communion (or fellowship of saints)." Our participation in the Means of Grace and worship "unites us to God and brings us in our fellowship with Christ and with one another." The fellowship of a church being congregation in the highest, and most inclusive, and most far reaching in all the communion. In addition to this primary fellowship opportunity we have the several organizations for activities, which are geared definitely to the interest of service. We are thankful for the many helping hands in administering the work of the church; the teachers, the choirs, the ushering staff, the church boards, the various other fellowship organizations, they have helped make my ministry in Trinity a happy one.

FINANCIAL FELLOWSHIP

Worship becomes not only the natural expression and language of the Christian soul, but the fountain and source of creative activities. Some of these activities to which we have dedicated our life's energies and aspirations have been mentioned, time and talents, but there is another, our material possessions. Someone has said "that the stewardship of means in its farthest reaches is just the effect of the grace of God on property." This is just another way of saying, that whatever affects me affects all that is mine. So many folks in this day of materialism are willing to dedicate everything to God but their money. Our church support should be a matter of faith, love and courage. Through the church where we have our membership we reach out love's working arm to all parts of the world. All of us should include our church in our personal budget. Out support should mean sacrifice for all of us. I would venture to suggest that every member pledge a minimum of one hour's wage for each week. Every need in the proposed budget would then be met easily and there would be money left over for additional benevolence causes.

A summary of our financial condition is as follows:

Espenditures	1952	
For Benevolence	3630.60	inclds. W.M.S. and Church School
Operational expense	8549.75	does not include organizations expd.
	$ 12180.35	

The resolution to be presented by the Pastor's Cabinet was a little pre-mature for we now have bills in excess of the cash on hand by several hundreds of dollars. We are also faced with the necessity of replacing our fuel tank for the church which must and will be done following the organization of the new board. This represents a substantial outlay of money. I appeal to every member to conscientiously consider their responsibility in the financial support of the church.

I would call to your attention the Dream Building Fund envelope in your stewardship box, there is [illegible]. These funds are used for no other purpose than the amortization of the note held by the Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Co. The balance due on this note is $[illegible].00. It would indeed be a blessed event in the celebration of our 5th Anniversary if this mortgage were burned. Let us make a special effort these next two years dream may become a reality. Trinity was organized in 1949, 1954 is therefore the rightful year in which to celebrate our anniversary. The Pastor's Cabinet has recommended in their resolutions that a committee be elected at this meeting to begin preparation for this event in Trinity's history.

In closing this report a word of thanks should be extended the out-going members of our board who have served their term of office faithfully and diligently: Marvin Taylor, Donald Hoyer and Harold Killion as Deacons, Fritz Elfving, P. A. Olson and Emil Bjork as trustees.

As we have reviewed the past years activities and look forward to the future we cannot adore God to the full without being constrained to offer our time, talents and means to Him in service and sacrifice. It is for that reason that a central element in Christian worship has always been by offering to God by the people of "their hopes and dreams and aspirations; their fears, repentance, humility and self-deflation; their hunger for forgiveness, pardon and security; their yearning to dedicate themselves and to be used of God to some high end."

He who worships who worships with a penitent, contrite and expectant heart will surely receive of the waters of life, be refreshed in spirit and receive new heart for the things of God. Such communion with God knows no other and that the building of the kingdom among men.

We have no way of knowing what our tomorrows will be like. We live in corrupt and dangerous times. As Christians we have no promise of good days, but we have the promise of God's abiding blessing if we are faithful to our trust. We are bidden "to redeem the time, because the days are evil."

I plead for your faithful attendance at worship and for your active concern for those members of the parish who are careless and indifferent. I plead for the daily devotions in every Trinity Home. There is no mistaking the truth that families that pray together and worship together also stay together.

I plead for frequent communion on the part of every member at the Lord's Table.

I plead for generous financial support, in terms of income, on the part of every member. We love what we support and we support what we love.

I plead for consistent Christian living in home, in work, in recreation, and in social life.

I plead for that kind of witness on the part of all of us that will bring the unsaved into the fellowship of the Church.

In God, through Jesus Christ, we can face our tomorrows, regardless of what they may bring to us, with hope and confidence and courage.

Pastoral Acts

Baptisms - - - - - - - - - - - - -	39 children
	2 adults
Confirmations- - - - - - - - - - -	12 children
	5 adults
Burials- - - - - - - - - - - - - -	30 adults
	1 child
	3 members
Marriages- - - - - - - - - - - - -	17

Adult Membership gains and losses

Gains:
By transfer- - - - - - - - - - 7
By confession- - - - - - - - - 18
By Reaffirmation - - - - - - - 3 _____

Losses:
By transfer- - - - - - - - - - 7
By death - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Other losses - - - - - - - - - _____

Baptized and Confirmed membership

Gains:
By Baptism- - - - - - - - - - - 39
By Transfer - - - - - - - - - - 3 _____

Losses:
By Confirmation - - - - - - - - 12
By Transfer - - - - - - - - - - 2 _____

Summary:

Baptized Membership	1951 - - - -		607	
	1952		___	
Confirmed Membership	1951	Men	Women	
		170	214	
	1952	___	___	_____
	Total-			

In Memoriam

The following members passed away during the past year:

Augusta Peterson, March 14, 1952 at the age of 81 yrs. 9 mo. 16 days
Karoline Lofgren, March 21, 1952 at the age of 69 yrs. 7 mo. 9 days
John Emil Haglund, August 8, 1952 at the age of 67 yrs.

We give thanks to God for the countless blessings we have experienced as a congregation, as families, and as individuals. We give thanks for the opportunities afforded us to worship, to work, to serve, and to give. We give thanks for His comfort in sorrow, His strength in times of sickness, His daily forgiveness, His steadfastness in our trials.

We extend our thanks to all members who in one way or another have served the congregation. God alone knows what kingdom advances have been made because of loyal

multitudinous services of love and devotion. May their numbers ever increase.

Personally, I am deeply grateful for the fine spirit of unity that is evident in the congregation.

God grant that no smugness of self-satisfaction [illegible] us. We can be useful only in the measure that we are willing to be the channels of His will and purpose. So much remains to be done, and for many of us time is running out.

O God, grant that in the indwelling of The Holy Spirit we may prove to faithful and that we will know that we were in well doing.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy W. Ryden

January 14, 1953

MSC that the Pastoral report be accepted as read.

Elmer Blomquist read the report of the auditors committee:

To the Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria, Oregon
January 8, 1953

We, the undersigned, have audited the records, receipts and books of the Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Fund and General Repair Treasurer, Church School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies in the congregation, as summarized in this report, and believe the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted

Elmer Blomquist

Arnold Swanson

MSC that the report of the auditors be accepted.

Financial report, Benevolent Treasurer's, Current Treasurer's and the Building Fund reports were presented to the congregation by Pastor Ryden and a discussion followed.

Report of the Financial Secretary

For Benevolence		
Envelopes	1694.53	
Lenten Denial Offerings	505.45	
Baptismal Gifts	89.00	
Lutheran World Action	477.92	
Augustana Seminary Appeal	211.00	
Daughters of Trinity	200.00	3,177.90
For Current Expense		
Initial	28.55	
Loose	915.77	
Envelope	5268.35	
Misc.	713.91	6,926.58
Parsonage Reduction & Repair		1,301.53
Piano Fund		41.00
		11,447.01

Report of the Benevolent Treasurer

Balance 1-52	87.20
Receipts for 52	3,177.90
Total Receipts & Bal.	3,265.10
Expenditures 52	3,202.34
Balance 1-53	62.76

Report of the Current Treasurer

Balance 1-52		1[illegible].75
Receipts for 52		
1st Quarter	1762.16	
2nd "	1873.28	
3rd "	1366.96	
4th "	1924.18	6926.58
		7123.33
Expenditures 52		7075.34
Balance 1-53		47.99

Expenditures	Budget 1952	Exped. 1952	Budget 1953
[illegible]	2,080.00	2,080.00	2,100.00
Conference	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Portland District	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pension & [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lutheran World Action	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Augustana Seminary Appeal	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Baptismal Certificates	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Parsonage Reduction Fund
Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance

Balance 52, Jan.		727.20	916.60	727.20
Receipts 52		235.68		
Ladies Aid	60.60			
D. of Trinity	60.60			
Offerings	887.60			
~~Misc.~~	~~10.00~~			
		1,008.80		
Expenditures		1,244.48		
Balance 53		916.60		
	(327.88)	327.88		

Note:

Payment on parsonage	764.48
Interest paid	152.12
	916.60

Balance due on note 3,772.19

CURRENT Expenditures

	Budget 1952	Expend. 1952	Budget 1953
Pastor's Salary	3120.00	3120.00	3240.00
Pastor's Assistant	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Choir Directing	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Organist	360.00	360.00	360.00
Custodian	420.00	420.00	420.00
Music and Hymnals	420.00	420.00	420.00
Office Assistance	50.00	28.27	25.00
Utilities	25.00	none	25.00
Fuel	600.00	542.38	600.00
Taxes	550.00	519.06	625.00
Insurance	185.00	157.96	185.00
Repair & Maintenance	165.00	516.58	219.24
Church Supplies	350.00	145.55	350.00
Postage	250.00	323.55	250.00
Publicity	100.00	80.44	75.00
Car Allowance	100.00		50.00
Misc.	350.00	350.00	350.00
	none	91.45	none
	7145.00	7075.34	7294.24
Benevolence	2533.00	3202.34	2553.00
Parsonage Reduction	727.60	916.60	727.60
General Repairs		557.81	
	10,405.60	11,752.09	10,574.84

Church Repair Fund

Balance 1-52		257.38
Receipts	413.93	413.93
		671.31
Disbursements 52		
Romsos Sheet Metal	95.40	
Repair Porches, sidewalk	209.96	
Brookfield Co.	58.95	
Coast Roofing Co.	193.50	557.81
Balance 53		113.50

Memorial Window Fund

Balance 1-52		408.50
Receipts 1952	137.00	137.00
Balance 53		545.50

No Disbursements.

Memorial Chancel Panel Fund

Balance 1-52	163.00
Interest 52	?

No disbursements in 52. Outstanding bills against this amount total 386.58
This include installation and finishing of two new doors.
Balance due the Northern School Supply is 216.46

Trinity Brotherhood

Balance 1-52		13.60
Receipts	104.00	104.00
		117.60
Disbursements 52		80.23
		37.37
Cashiers Balance in Bank	17.00	
Cash balance	20.37	
	37.37	

Piano Fund

Balance 1-52		91.86
Receipts		
Spring Choir Con.	41.00	41.00
Balance 53		132.86

No Disbursements

Luther League

Balance 52		4.75
Receipts		
Dues & Collect.	27.81	
Fellowship Off.	13.30	41.11
		45.86
Disbursements 52		
Fellowship Off.		15.00
		30.86
Petty Cash		1.66
Total Cash and Bal. 53		32.52

Ladies Aid Society

Balance 1-52		336.12
Receipts:	30.30	
Cash Donations	56.70	
Annual Sale & Lunch	439.50	
Rummage Sale	236.95	
Vanilla & D.C.	52.35	838.80
Christmas Party	23.00	~~808.50~~
		~~1144.62~~
		1174.92
Disbursements 52		
Building Fund	[illegible]	
Brookfield Co.	111.4[illegible]	
Nicolai & Nepach 2 Doors	[illegible]	
Misc.	114.[illegible]	
Missions	[illegible]	
Memorial Fund	[illegible]	404.12
Balance 53		[illegible]
		180.77

Church School

Balance 1-52		
Receipts 52		388.40
Sunday Offerings	592.97	
Easter Offering	84.94	
Christmas Offering	62.11	
Mission Offering	88.49	828.51
		1216.91
Disbursements 52		
Method. Pub. House	57.59	
Aug. Book Concern	349.10	
Bus Service	45.50	
Larson Electric	47.24	
Astoria Stationery	54.37	
Missions	188.49	
Luth. Pub. House	79.08	
Better Books & B.H.	20.27	
Choir Robes	47.18	
Misc.	45.04	933.86
Balance 53		283.05

Daughters of Trinity

Balance 1-52		140.76
Receipts		
Offerings	76.60	
Sales and Coffee S.	238.10	
Patriotic Tea	67.00	
Mis.	8.75	390.45
		531.21
Disbursements		
Cleaning Flags	2.50	
Bldg. Fund	60.60	
Parish House Rep.	47.02	
Missions	200.00	
Misc.	37.00	347.20
Balance 53		184.01

Trinity Reserve Fund 108.50

Ladies Aid Society cont'd.

Savings Account Balance 52		432.20
Receipts:		
Collections		175.38
Interest		7.50
		615.08
10 U.S. Savings Bonds @ $18.75		

Fellowship Club

Balance 1-52		16.38
Receipts:		
Offerings		67.79
		84.17
Disbursements 52		
Christmas Decorations	8.90	
Baby Sitting	21.00	
Aug. Book Concern	24.14	
Brookfield Co.	14.30	
Mis.	5.94	74.28
Balance 53		9.89

Womens Missionary Society

No Balance		
Receipts		
Offerings and Contributions		288.27
Dues		16.50
		304.77
Disbursements		
Dues	16.50	
Amer. Missions	33.00	
Foreign Missions	136.77	
Inner Missions	49.61	
Education	18.00	
Administration	35.74	
Luncheon Exp.	15.15	304.77
Balance 53		None

MSC that financial report be accepted as given.

The following tellers were appointed by the pastor: Dick Tennant, Harold Wirth and Mrs. Jean Snyder. The official ballot, which represented nominations by the Pastor's Cabinet, was passed out to voting members present and were read by Pastor Ryden. The following nominations were made from the floor: Trustee, John Helstrom, Jr., Auditor, Deacon, Jordan Storaasli, District delegate & alternate, Dick Tennant and Dr. R. W. Kullberg, District delegate & alternate, William Seeborg and Evelyn Seeborg.

MSC to recommend the congregation elect a permanent committee to make arrangements for the celebration of our 25th anniversary. Elmer Blomquist made a motion to elect nine members for committee. MSC. The following members were nominated: Ethel Wicks, F. S. Elfving, William Seeborg, Dr. R. W. Kullberg, Mrs. P. A. Olsen, Mrs. Elsie Engbretson, Goldie Kelsey, Clark Hedeen, Jack Woods, Ruby Ryden, Edgar Johnson, Helen Blomquist, Edith Elliott, Mrs. Carl Moberg, Gordon Storaasli, Ethel Elfving. The following tellers were appointed by the pastor: Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Young and Ed Westersund.

Motion was made and seconded to recommend that the Sunday hour of worship be changed from 11:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. for the months of June, July and August. An amendment was made by Elmer Blomquist to accept the motion if it does not interfere with the Sunday School in answer, this was seconded and both motions were passed.

MSC to adopt the 1953 Benevolence budget.

MSC to adopt the 1953 Current budget.

The results of both elections were read by Pastor Ryden. The election of Church Officers are as follows:

Trustees
- Orville Kelsey
- Ed Westersund
- John Helstrom, Jr.

Auditors
- Clifford Johnson
- Mrs. Arthur Kvistad
- Arthur Johanson

Conference Delegate
- Dick Tennant

Alternate--Dr. R. W. Kullberg

Deacons
- Arthur Boettcher, 3 yrs.
- Jack Wood, 3 yrs.
- Clark Hedeen, 3 yrs.
- Gordon Storaasli, 1 yr.

Emanuel Hospital Charity Board
- Gunnar Johanson 53, 54, 55

District Delegate
- William Seeborg

Alternate--Evelyn Seeborg

The results of the electi[illegible] for a permanent committee for our 15th anniv[illegible] are as follows: Ethel Wahl, Philip Moeller, Dr. [illegible] Kuilberg, Elsie Engqvist, [illegible] Kelter, Clara Johnson, ~~Ruby Ryden~~ Edgar Johnson, Edith Elliott, and Gordon Storaasli.

The following resolutions from the committee appointed by Pastor Ryden were read by Mr. P. A. Olsen. MSC to adopt the first four, MSC to adopt the fifth, MSC to adopt the next four. MSC to adopt the [illegible].

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE PASTOR'S CABINET

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That we, as members of the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation, humbly give thanks to our heavenly Father for His loving care and His many blessings during the past year, praying for guidance and courage that His will might be accomplished through us.

2. That it be our earnest prayer that God grant us wisdom to conduct the deliberations of this twenty-third annual meeting of our beloved Church in Christian spirit, to the end that His will, not ours, be done.

3. That we urge daily devotions in all homes by reading the Word of God, offering thanks and praise to Him for His daily blessings and that we use the daily devotional guide which the Church Council has kindly for these meditations.

4. That the parents be mindful of the need that their children be at the Sacrament of Holy Baptism or this religious: to teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, and place in their hands the Holy Scriptures, and bring them to the services of God's house and provide for their instruction in the Christian faith, and exemplifying true Christian living by themselves attending the Holy Sacrament of the Church.

5. That those who have suffered bereavement may find comfort in I Thess. 4:16-18.

6. That we are sincerely grateful to our pastor for his understanding of our spiritual needs and we be one with him in building God's kingdom among us. We pray God's blessing upon him and his family, and further that we are grateful to his good wife for her help to him and to us.

7. That we express our sincere thanks to the members of the Church board, the choirs, and organizations, the organist, choir directors, ushers, the custodian, and be ever mindful of the Church School teachers for their many hours of willing and conscientious service in the Christian education of our children.

8. That we earnestly pray God for peace on earth and good will among men. That He would watch over our young men and women in military service and that they would feel and know His presence.

9. That we note with satisfaction the fact that we concluded the year with all current and benevolent obligations met in full. In humbleness we praise the Lord for the privilege of giving.

10. That we pray that Trinity might increasingly become and instrument of encouragement, hope and joy by her communing with God in worship, through the hearing of the Word and through the grace of His sacraments, setting aside every Sunday for this purpose, for the guarantee of Life Everlasting.
These blessings we pray in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to Whom be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

Sincerely submitted,
Mrs. Chester Balsley, Mrs. Elmer Blomquist,
Mrs. Runar Rasmus and Mr. P. A. Olsen.

The time of Christmas service was brought up by Edgar Johnson. Suggested times were 11:00 P.M. Christmas Eve. and 11:00 A.M. Christmas morning. Considerable discussion followed and no motion was made. It was tabled for a later discussion.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was closed with the singing of the Doxology and the Benediction by Pastor Ryden.

Respectfully submitted,

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Approved [illegible]

[illegible]

S.. T .. MEETING OF THE TRINITY LUT .. CHURCH * MARCH 26, 1953

Following the morning worship a special meeting of the congregation was called by Pastor Roy W. Ryden for the purpose of considering extending an invitation to the Columbia Conference to hold their annual meeting in 1954 in Trinity.

MSC That the congregation invite the Columbia Conference to hold their annual meeting in the Spring of 1.5 in Trinity Lutheran Church.

MSC That the meeting adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by the Board of Administration

Date _____

Nels Rasmussen, Secy.

Minutes of the Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 17, 1954

8:00 P.M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was called to order by the pastor following a pot-luck supper. Scripture reading and prayer was offered by Pastor Ryden.

Mr. Edgar Johnson was unanimously elected secretary of the congregation for the ensuing year.

Pastor Ryden read his annual report as follows:

To the Members
Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria, Oregon

Dear friends in Christ,

"Now none of the disciples dared as Him,
"Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord."
John 21:12

As the fisherman-evangelist, John, commented, disciples who have witnessed the miraculous workings in every day life need not ask for they know them to be the Lord's doing. These things happen daily, and we are the losers if we do not see, or miss the Lord's part in all of them. It is my sincere hope that we see the Lord in the midst of our church work, for the Church is His body here on earth, and we are members of it by His grace.

At the outset of this report, let it be said that it is the Lord - whose own we are - that commands and empowers us to live each day in His way at home, at work and in company of Christians. No one of us can watch the dawn or the sunset without having confirmed our faith in the Lord whose creation is truly great. In every prompting of the conscience comes as a nudge from the Lord to better living. The Word and Sacrament make Him real to us, forgiven, redeemed, delivered. In our worship we have fellowship with other disciples who know and need not ask that it is the Lord who calls us together, unites us, and empowers us to serve Him.

Our primary concern as churchmen at this junction in history, must be two-fold; 1) that it is the Lord whose work we are doing and whom we worship, and 2) it is His will and way that must prevail in our programing. Against this backdrop let us review our program of this past year and from it make our plans for the year that lies ahead.

I. IT IS THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP

The first commandment of God deals with worship. The Christian's first obligation is to worship the Lord - in private and in corporate worship. This is our primary Christian privilege and duty. Every home in our parish is a small edition of Trinity and the whole Church. Here the basic unit of society, the home with parents and children, becomes the scene of daily family worship. As a guide to family worship The Word in Season has been sent to every home in the parish the past four years. The child that is taught at home to recognize the Lord will recognize Him also as he joins in the corporate worship with other Christians at the Church.

[illegible] services are the main features of our congregational life. At the altar, at the foot of the cross [illegible] life we come to pay our worship to Him who is the Lord of all. During the past year [illegible] morning and a total of 9,658 [illegible] worship services [illegible] were conducted the past year with a total attendance of 1,189, with about 85% of the congregation communing at least once.

A word of appreciation is hereby expressed to our choir directors and to the many individuals who have led our worship and blended their voices to provide anthems at the services.

Orderly, reverent, meaningful, and punctual services of worship - though provided - are not ends in themselves. They are [illegible] for those who would worship the Lord, recognizing Him in every day life, and worshipping Him together on Sundays.

II. IT IS THE LORD - IN OUR TEACHING

It is the risen and living Lord who commands teaching. Not only children [illegible] taught. Those who know the Lord are commissioned to teach. [illegible] through [illegible]

[illegible] highest it has ever been. Pre- [illegible] 17, Hi-School 17 for a [illegible] faithful staff of 17 [illegible]

children, for the matter of Christian living depends upon constant nourishment on the Word of God from whence comes our help, our strenth, and our guidance.

III. IT IS THE LORD - IN OUR MANGEMENT OF LIFE.

[illegible] ples in all generations have sought to order their lives in keeping [illegible] on of the Lord Jesus Christ. In the budgeting of [illegible] is will to take precedence [illegible] ing him and in His service. What earthly possessions [illegible] to be gifts from Him to be used to bring glory to Him and the [illegible] as in the using of them to glorify Him. This is still the pattern [illegible] would seek to manage his life according to the Lord Jesus Christ. Little could be accomplished by pointing out the discrepencies in our lives, but we are led to recognize that in this area of Christian experience we need daily sorrow and repentance and an amendment of live.

The record of our stewardship of means is reflected in the reports of our Board of Administration. Only in our Benevolent [illegible] could it be that we are less interested in the Mission Program of the church than we are in keeping ourselves confortable? These reports are an [illegible] . [illegible] church here on earth, and until sin is forgiven and amendment of life begun, we accomplish little for Him. But we need to consider also that the specific sins which need to be confessed are those of covetousness, unbelief, disobedience, and selfishness. Until we have recognized that God has made us a partner, and that all we have belongs to Him, the gift we make in thankoffering will always be grudginly given, and complete surrender and loving service are the tokens which must work in our lives.

Therefore, it is imperative that as we proceed with programing for the future, it must be done on the basis of a congregation's capacity to receive God's grace and its [illegible] help us spell out in our day what the contribution of time, abilities and means should be.

1. Advance for Christ. There is an urgency about the Mission Program of the Church today such as past times have not known. In the world of humanity the Church is being weighed today. Many feel that we have only a few years in which to work if we are to counteract the anti-Christian leaven being planted among the peoples today. The Board of Administration has caught the vision, and is placing before the congregation a resolution that we whole-heartedly accept the challenge that we Advance for Christ.

2. The impact that was made upon the members of our congregation who attended the Bible Preaching Conference at Zion Lutheran Church last fall has led me to believe that we as a congregation would benefit much from such a season of spiritual refreshing, therefore, we have tentatively scheduled such a conference during Holy Week. As more definite plans for formulated tell your friends about them and join us for a season of Study about God's Word.

3. On April 27th the Columbia Conference will hold its annual meeting in Trinity. It is not over exageration to say, we need the whole-hearted cooperation and support of the entire membership to lighten the burden and increase the joy of serving our Church in this manner.

4. This is to be a special year in many ways, for we also celebrate our 25th Anniversary. Your Anniversary Committee will submit a report later this evening for your consideration.

We need your fervent prayers in all things that the kingdom might advance through our efforts.

MISCELLANEOUS

[illegible] this report, I want to express appreciation to the members of our [illegible] [illegible] ing our [illegible] .

[illegible] sibility to be good stewards of the Gospel. With 28 [illegible] gation aware of the discovery of the [illegible] , [illegible] Trinity [illegible] realistic, effective, and of glory to God. To that end, I pray, that Trinity [illegible] bligation under God during this year.

Sincerely yours,

Pastor Roy W. [illegible]

[illegible] committee was read by Gunnar Johanson. Nominati[illegible] in order and the follow[illegible]

MSC that the delegates to the conference and district meeting be appointed by the Board of Administration.

The report of the auditors was read.

To the Trinity Lutheran Church

We, the undersi[illegible] and Benevolent Treasurers, Building Fund Treasurer, Church School Treasurer and the respective Church Societies in the congregation, as summarized in this report, and believe the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted

A. E. Johanson

O. A. Johnson

MSC that the report of the auditors be accepted.

Report of the Budget Committee was read.

Report of the BUDGET COMMITTEE 12/7/53

Benevolent Budget

Conference Allocation	2,175.00	
Portland District	43.75	
Baptismal Certificates	30.00	
Pension & Aid Fund	349.00	2,597.75
	2,597.75	

Current Expense Budget

Pastor's Salary	3,360.00	
Choir Directing	360.00	
Organist	420.00	
Custodian	420.00	
Devotional Material	175.00	
Utilities	600.00	
Fuel	700.00	
Taxes	150.00	
Insurance	260.00	
Maintenance	450.00	
Church Supplies	300.00	
Postage	100.00	
Publicity	25.00	
Car Allowance	350.00	
Miscellaneous	100.00	7,770.00
	7,770.00	

Parsonage Reduction Fund

Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Co.		727.60
		11,095.35

Respectfully Submitted,
Clark Hedeen, Edgar Johnson
Arnold Swanson, Gordon Storaasli.

[illegible] comes as a recommendation from the Board of Administration being [illegible]

[illegible] for the 25th Anniversary Committee and suggested that Pastor and [illegible]

To the Trinity Lutheran Church,

That we give a willing hand in service in assisting our Parish Director, Jack Wood in this "Advance for Christ" crusade.

Nels I. Rasmussen, Sec.
Board of Administration

The above resolution was adopted by standing vote.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was read and each resolution was adopted separately.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That we, as members of this congregation, give humble thanks to God for his countless blessings and continue to seek His guidance in our daily lives.

2. That we encourage daily devotions in the homes through the use of the devotional guides provided by the congregation.

3. That we recognize the need for greater participation in the Holy Sacraments realizing the opportunities and blessings offered therein.

4. That we pray for those who have suffered great personal loss that they may seek and find comfort in the Word of God.

5. That we express our gratitude to Pastor Ryden for his conscientious ministry to us and to Mrs. Ryden for her helpfulness in the Church's work.

6. That we express our sincere thanks to the members of the choirs, the choir directors, the organists, the church organization and to all members of the congregation who have served their Church during the past year.

7. That we urge our membership to remember in prayer all young men and women of our congregation in military service.

8. That we express our gratitude for the time and effort put forth by our Church School Staff and Officers in bringing Christian education to the children of the congregation and that we further resolve to encourage attendance in our high school and adult Bible classes.

9. That we thank God for the opportunity of being host to the Columbia Conference Convention and that we urge prayerful support of every member in order that it may be a blessing to His Church and to all those in attendance.

10. And that we give special thanks to God for the blessings received in this the 25th year of our church and that we re-examine our own hearts and dedicate our lives to winning and bringing others into the Kingdom of God.

Sincerely submitted,
Frances Jensen, William Seeborg,
Nels Rasmussen, Gordon J. Storaasli

Financial report, Benevolent Treasurer's, Current Treasurer's and the Building Fund reports were presented to the congregation and accepted.

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[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	722.00	
[illegible]	1,075.00	
Easter Offering.....	387.85	
Christmas Offering....	448.50	
Miscellaneous.....	52.28	
	10,074.71	
Rec. Savings Acc.#4098	112.03	
		10,186.81

Parsonage Reduction Fund

Envelopes	1.55	
		951.55
		14,080.52

Report of the Benevolent T[illegible]

[illegible] Jan. 1, 1953	62.76	Balance reported Jan. 1, 1953	47.99
Receipts for 1953	2942.15	Receipts, 1953	8389.81
Total	3004.92	Paint Fund	1075.00
Total Disbursements	3325.14	For General Repairs	722.00
LOSS	320.22		10234.80
		Total Disbursements	9609.56
		Current Exp. 278.18	625.24
		Paint Fund 347.06	

Disbursements are made as follows:

Benevolent expenditures	Budget 1953	Exped. 1953	Budget 1954
Conference	2,100.00	2,100.00	2,175.00
Portland District	38.50	38.50	43.75
Pension & Aid	384.00	384.00	349.00
Lutheran World Action	Offering	488.55	Offering
Youth Fellowship	Offering	123.25	Offering
A. M. A.	Offering	150.00	Offering
Lutheran Bible Institute		25.00	
Baptismal Certificates	14.50	15.84	30.00
	2,537.00	3,325.14	2,597.75

Current Expenditures	Budget 1953	Expend. 1953	Budget 1954
Pastor's Salary	3,240.00	3,240.00	3,360.00
Pastor's Assistant	100.00	None	None
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Organist	420.00	420.00	420.00
Custodian	420.00	420.00	420.00
Music	25.00	10.94	
Utilities	600.00	593.83	600.00
Fuel	625.00	775.84	700.00
Repair & Maintenance	350.00	916.39	450.00
Church Supplies	250.00	507.49	300.00
Insurance & Taxes	404.24	377.88	410.00
Postage & Publicity	125.00	128.76	125.00
Car Allowance	350.00	350.00	350.00
Miscellaneous		58.40	100.00
Paint and Repair	None	1,449.94	
Devotional Material			175.00
TOTALS	7,269.24	9,609.56	7,770.00
Benevolence	2,537.00	3,325.14	2,597.75
Parsonage Reduction	727.60	1,000.25	727.60
	10,533.84	13,934.95	[illegible]

Current Fund (Special Paint & Repairs)

	1,797.00	[illegible]

Income

Disbursements:

[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible] & labor....	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] material....	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Disbursements [illegible]	Balance	[illegible]
Balance due on [illegible]	[illegible]	

Trinity Ladies Aid

Balance brought forward		680.79
Receipts, 1953		2117.35
		2798.14
Disbursements, 1953		
Repair Fund	722.00	
John Wicks (doors)	386.58	
Gifts	67.98	
Memorium	25.00	
Merchandise	488.[illegible]	
		1589.61
Balance.....		1108.51
Savings Acct.		834.05
10 Gov't. Bond @ $18.50		

Women's Missionary Society

Offerings and Gifts	251.28
Dues	15.50
Dime Books	16.00
Boxes of Blessings	34.17
	316.95
Disbursements	316.[illegible]
Balance.....	None
Cash--Home Administration Fund	5.11

Junior Missionary Societ

Thank Offering Boxes	72.03
World Friendship Fund	20.72
	92.75
Balance	None

Trinity Brotherhood

Receipts and Balance	299.96
Disbursements	[illegible]
Balance	50.63

Fellowship Club

Receipts and Balance	68.64
Disbursements	31.77
Balance	36.87

Luther League

[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Balance	5.0[illegible]

Church School

Balance & Offerings		1255.56
Disbursements:		
Furniture	47.51	
Astoria Stationery	22.84	
Better Books & Bible House	36.05	
Stamps	[illegible]	
Parish Supply Store	61.59	
Aug. Book Concern	397.82	
Cook Pub. House	85.50	
Missions	117.75	
Methodist Pub. House	17.70	
Miscellaneous	[illegible]	
Balance		335.11

This incl. $110.00 Christmas Offering for chairs.....as per letter.

Daughters of Trinity

Receipts and Balance		469.60
Disbursements:		
Picture for Columbia Hosp.	18.61	
Bethel Congregation	10.00	
Joyce Johnson (League wks.)	21.00	
Chairs	171.84	
Memorium	5.00	
Salvation Army	10.00	
Miscellaneous	18.68	255.13
Balance		214.[illegible]

Piano Fund

Balance and Receipts	260.29	260.29

Memorial Art Window Fund

Receipts and balance	1187.35

Trinity Motion Picture Fund

Balance	15.86

MSC that financial reports be accepted as given.

The report of the tellers was as follows:

Trustees
- Clifford Johnson
- Emil Bjork
- Andrew Olsen

For Columbia Hospital Board
- Clifford Johnson
- Gunnar Johanson
- Harold Werth
- Elmer Blomquist

Auditors
- Edgar Johnson
- Goldie Kelsey
- Ann Fausett

Deacons
Ralph Nordstrom, Robert Hagerup, William Seeborg.

Emanuel Hospital Board
Edgar Johnson, Harold Werth, and Elmer Blomquist.

[illegible] business to come before the meet[illegible] repeating the Benediction.

[illegible]

Minutes of the Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 16, 1955

4:00 P. M.

The annual meeting of the congregation was called to order by Pastor. After singing Hymn [illegible] the congregation was led in [illegible] and prayer by Mr. [illegible].

Mr. Elmer W. [illegible] was unanimously elected [illegible] for the [illegible].

Pastor Ryden read his annual report as follows:

To the Trinity Lutheran Church

Grace and Peace:

"Go ye and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them." Matthew 28:18

Here are the marching orders, given by the Lord of the Church. There are no "ifs" and "ands" about them. And we must work the works of Him that sent us while it is day. Night cometh when no man can work.

We gather [illegible] year in the light of the [illegible].

The emphasis in our whole church during the year has been "Advance For Christ". There can be no [illegible].

Let us look at the areas where there can be outward evidence of advance.

1. Advance in attendance at worship and in receiving the Sacrament.

Here the advance has been meager. The net average Sunday morning attendance for the year '54 showed an increase of 25. (total average attendance 177) The total communion registration showed an increase of 299. (12 communion services average participation 124) Total attendance for all services held in the church was 11,301. It is in the area of attendance at worship and in receiving the Sacrament that members bear witness or fail to bear witness to the validity and vitality of their church membership. Certainly a congregation bears its best community witness in terms of well attended services in season and out of season. What the new year holds in store for us in terms of advance in church attendance depends upon the regular attendance of every member of the congregation.

2. Advance in Parish Education.

A year ago the church school enrollment was 219; today it is 259 with an average attendance during the school year of 150. A Cradle Roll with an enrollment of more than 50 has been the "feeder" for our school. Through the Cradle Roll program your church keeps in touch with the baptized children of the parish and when the child attains the age of 3 years an invitation to join the school is sent.

A faithful staff of 21 teachers, assistants and officers keeps the [illegible] school in effective operation. We dare not take our teachers and our [illegible] for granted. The teaching [illegible] and [illegible] of the entire congregation. In the children we have the future leaders of the church [illegible] and church. It [illegible] are given to members than to share in the [illegible] responsibility of the children. [illegible] teachers give themselves willingly to their [illegible].

A vacation Bible School was also conducted under the direction of the church school which saw a fine response from the children.

Our adult instruction consisted of private interviews, special classes [illegible] preparation for church membership and the adult Bible class which meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 A.M. It should be understood that at no time can we devote less time to the instruction of our adult membership than we do for the children, for the matter of Christian living depends upon constant nourishment [illegible] God from whence comes our help, our strength, and our guidance.

3. Advance in Service.

A growing number of members are engaged in [illegible] service. In addition to the church school staff, there are 18 members on the church boards, [illegible] committees, directors of music, officers and members [illegible] a fine body of [illegible] that provide fellowship and service opportunities. [illegible] of the various organizations [illegible] their term of service on the church [illegible] with this [illegible] Arthur Johanson, Chester [illegible] sincere [illegible] [illegible] Lorenz [illegible] Werth. [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] service [illegible] their time and [illegible].

It is important that those who are received into our parish [illegible] be assimilated into the fellowship. It [illegible] izations should be [illegible] And it calls [illegible] tion.

By the way, some real evangeli[illegible] "hello" to one another [illegible] engage in conversation. They do and have a right to expect [illegible] rd of greeting.

4. Advance in Support of the Financial Program of the Church.

In addition to the support of [illegible] and other organizations within the church which altogether total $6,389.23

$13,006.31 was s[illegible] which amount includes more [illegible] debt reduction and [illegible] Grand total - $19,395.54 (explain) [illegible] Balance payable $1,845.13.

5. Special Events during the year 1954.

1. April 27 - 30, 1954 Trinity was host to the Columbia Conference for its 62nd annual convention.

2. October 8 - 10, 1954 we celebrated our 25th year as a congregation. Our special guests for the occsion were Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Kempe. Anniversary offering totaled $485.50.

6. Statistics.

Baptisms		Infants	32	Adults	9
Confirmations		Children	21	Adults	5
Marriages	21				
Burials	46	Members	7	Non-members	39
Received by Transfer		Children	8	Adults	[illegible]
Received by Confession				Adults	9
Dismissed by Letter of Transfer		Children	3	Adults	11
Other					
Present membership		Baptized	263	Confirmed	384
				(228 Women)	
				(156 Men)	

7. In Memorium

[illegible] Victor Westersund	56 years, 11 months, 8 days
[illegible]	[illegible] months, [illegible] days
Verna Mathilda Carlson	80 years. 3 months, 10 days
Ann Kristine Todd	19 days
Bernard Amundsen	53 years, 9 days
John Edward Helstrom	34 years, 4 months, 21 days
Oscar Andrew Birch	54 years, 5 months, 18 days

May peace abide with the spirit of each of these departed members. May the Lord comfort the bereaved.

8. Miscellaneous.

[illegible] rial Fund reports more than $2,000.00 on hand [illegible] the nave, therefore, it seems advisable that the congregation [illegible] the Board of Administration to select a committee to carry out the wishes of the congregation in this matter.

The present method of preparing a slate of candidates for the various [illegible] has proven rather cumbersome and should be given some con- [illegible] not permit the gather together of so large a com- [illegible] to give the problem further consideration. Fur- [illegible] consideration to [illegible] group as large as the congregation [illegible] the [illegible] candidates.

. A signed commitment accompany the name of each candidate.

It will be 9 years on [illegible] since I began my ministry at Trinity. They have been [illegible] interesting, full years. I am grateful to the church boards [illegible] leaders of the congregation for their vision and understanding. I [illegible] all [illegible] their attendance, their prayers, their support and their [illegible] helped to make possible any abiding results that have come to pass.

However, we ponder for a moment [illegible] 9 years is but a short chapter in the [illegible] reaped where others have sown. As long [illegible] "Advance". Nothing happens by our might or cleverness, but by the Spirit of [illegible] Him who gave the [illegible] doxiesll. He who gives the com- [illegible] we shall advance when hearts and hands and [illegible] our prayer, "Lead on O King Eternal".

January 16, 1955

Respectfully,
Roy W. Ryden, Pastor

The followi[illegible] be accepted as read. Motion [illegible] resolved that the Pastor's annual [illegible] was seconded and unanimously carried by standing vote.

It was mo[illegible] of fire [illegible] representative committee [illegible] e Art Window Committee. Upon discussion the following amendment was moved and [illegible] seconded [illegible] subject [illegible] Upon vote the amendment was carried. Upon vote the [illegible] committee of five (5) to serve on the Art Window Committee with power to act subject to approval by the Board of Administration.

The following motion was made and seconded, Be it resolved that By-Law [illegible] nominate candidates for offices in the congregation(be amended to read, "The congregation shall, at the annual meeting, elect a nominating committee of four to meet with the Pastor and prepare a slate of candidates for the offices in the Congregation. The following directives to be taken into consideration.

a. The candidates attendance and interest in the worship and work of the church.

b. A signed commitment shall accompany the name of each candidate.

The Pastor appointed the following tellers: Kenneth Olsen, Ethel Elfving, Arthur Boettcher and Orville Kelsey.

The nominating committees report was read by the secretary with the following nominations being added from the floor:

Trustees, Axel Anderson and Clarence Peterson.
Auditors, Cliff Johnson
Nominating Committee, Ragnor Hoyer, Ethel Elfving, Goldie Kelsey, Wm. Seeborg, Emil Bjork, Edgar Johnson, Ward Paldanius, Clifford Johnson.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the delegates to the conference and district meetings be appointed by the Board of Administration.

FINANCIAL REPORTS for 1954

Report of the Financial Secretary

INCOME: Benevolence		
Envelopes	2,137.73	
Baptism	116.79	
Lutheran World Action	311.81	
Advance for Christ	3,163.35	
Youth Fellowship Offering	110.26	
Lenten Denial Offering	519.55	
		6,359.5[illegible]
INCOME: Current Exp.		
Initial	32.00	
[illegible]	6,417.15	
[illegible]	1,075.93	
[illegible]	2,054.20	
[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]	872.79	
[illegible]	485.50	
[illegible]		[illegible]
TOTAL		[illegible]

Report of the Benevolent Treasurer

Balance [illegible] 1/1/54 [illegible]

[illegible]ort of the Benevolent Treasurer

[illegible]orted Balance 1/1/54	320.22
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	130.43

Report of the Current Treasurer

[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Balance 1/1/55	8,792.64
	66.51

Disbursements made as follows:

Benevolent Expense	Budget '54	Exp. '54	Budget '55
Conference Allocation	2,175.00	2,175.00	2,200.00
Portland District	43.75	43.75	43.75
Pension & Aid	349.00	340.00	375.00
Lutheran World Action	Offering	311.81	Offering
Advance for Christ	Offering	3,163.35	X X X X
Youth Fellowship	Offering	110.26	Offering
Baptismal Certificates	30.00	16.58	30.00
	2,597.75	6,169.75	2,648.75

Current Exp.	Budget '54	Exp. '54	Budget '55
Pastor's Salary	3,360.00	3,360.00	3,360.00
Choir Directing	360.00	360.00	360.00
Organist	420.00	420.00	420.00
Custodian	420.00	420.00	600.00
Salaries (other)		114.80	
Utilities	600.00	603.98	600.00
Fuel	700.00	636.57	700.00
Maintenance & Repair	450.00	1,078.31	450.00
Church Supplies	300.00	377.03	400.00
Insurance & Taxes	410.00	465.82	450.00
Postage & Publicity	125.00	150.62	175.00
Devotional Material	175.00	46.25	75.00
Car Allowance	350.00	350.00	600.00
Church Music		52.97	
Miscellaneous	100.00	356.29	100.00
TOTAL	7,770.00	8,792.64	8,290.00

Other funds expended by Current Treasurer - (in addition)

Paint Fund:

Balance 1/1/54	337.06
Income (Ladies Aid)	500.00
Expense	856.98
LOSS	19.92

Conference Surplus:

Income		861.40
Exp. Rev. Kempe	335.00	
Hotel	19.50	
Col. Conf.	21.31	
Astoria Florist	6.00	
Astorian Budget	27.50	
Jones Bakery	36.00	
Meth. Pub. House	2.67	
Larson Dairy	8.23	
Modern Cash	32.10	
Mrs. Lempea	10.00	
	[illegible]	[illegible]

Balance of 363.09 applied to payment on parish house roof.

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Trinity Lutheran Convention Account

Income:

[illegible]dies Aid - Loan	50.00
[illegible]gistration & Tickets	2,674.75
[illegible]s. Offering(Conf)	116.30
[illegible]. Nelson Conference Loan Ret.	331.60
[illegible]	100.00
	3,272.65

Expenditures:

Ladies Aid - Repayment of Loan	50.00
Change	100.00
Registration mat'l & Tickets	181.50
Registration refunds	28.00
Tues. Offering to Conf.	116.30
Col. Conf. Loan Travel	331.60
Meals	571.45
Flowers, etc.	41.71
Banquet	787.35
Episcopal Church rental	40.00
J.J. Astor - guests	24.00
Drinking Fountain	41.30
Wiring	66.30
Miscellaneous	31.74
Balance of Convention Funds	861.40
	[illegible]

FINANCIAL REPORT OF ORGANIZATIONS

	Balance '54	Income '54	Exp. '54	Balance 55
[illegible]ing Fund	392.64	1,358.29	1,333.20	417.78
Ladies Aid		Balance due on note	$1,946.13	
Other assets	1,108.51	809.04	1,179.89	737.66
	803.05	175.88		1,009.93
		10 U.S. Bonds @ 18.50		
Daughters of Trinity	214.56	240.47	223.09	231.94
[illegible] League	5.98	29.86	23.69	12.15
Trinity Brotherhood	50.63	124.50	125.46	49.67
Sunday School	335.11	1,106.07	1,121.28	319.90
Fellowship Club	36.87	39.90	65.92	10.85
Women's Missionary Society	None	295.86	295.86	None
Piano Fund	260.29	146.59		406.88
Memorial Fund	1,187.35	870.66		2,058.01

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The secretary read the auditors report as follows:

January 16, 1954

To the Trinity Lutheran Church:

We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts and books of the [illegible] Treasurer, Church School Treasurer and the respective Church societies' Treasurers of the congregation as summarized in the report, and believe the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

[illegible]rs. O. Kelsey

Mr. Edgar Johnson

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the auditors report be accepted as read.

The proposed Benevolent and Current Budgets for year 1955 were read by the secretary as follows:

Proposed Budget 1955

Benevolent Budget

[illegible]nference	2,200.00	
[illegible]tland District	43.75	
[illegible]sion & Aid Fund	375.00	
[illegible]theran World Action	Offering	
[illegible]h Fellowship Offering	Offering	
[illegible]tana Mission Advance	30.00	
[illegible]ran Bible Institute	2,648.75	2,648.75

[illegible]

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the Budgets be be accepted as read.

The following resolution was presented by the Sunday School Teachers: Be it resolved that

Be it further resolved that this committee be authorized to present plans for expanding the facilities if found necessary by the study.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Gus Lindberg
Mr. Gordon Storaasli

Motion was made, seconded and carried that this resolution be accepted.

The following resolutions were presented by the Pastor's Cabinet:

Be it resolved that:
(2a)

1. We express our sincere thanks to Pastor Ryden for his guidance and to the many members of the congregation who are engaged in the volunteer services to make more effective the program of the church.

2. That we pray for those who have suffered great personal loss that they may seek and find comfort in the Word of God.

3. That we give humble thanks to God for the blessings of the past year and ask for His continual guidance for our congregation in the years to come.

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Frances Jensen, Mr. Ralph Nordstrom,
Mr. Andrew Olsen.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the above resolutions be accepted.

The report of the Tellers was read by the secretary with the following church officers elected:

Trustees:
3 - year term
J. B. Seppala
Arthur Stromsness
Arthur Kvistad

1- year term
Axel Anderson
C. Peterson

Deacons:
Gunnar Johanson
Gordon Storaasli
Glenn Larson

Trustee - Columbia Hospital
[illegible]
Harold Werth

Emanuel Charity Board:
Andrew Olsen

Auditors:
Edgar Johnson
Elmer Blomquist

Nominating Committee:
Ragnor Hoyer
Ethel Elfving
Goldie Kelsey
Clifford Johnson

There being no further business it was moved seconded and carried that we adjourn.

The meeting was closed with the singing of Humn #664 and the Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

Trinity Lutheran Church

ROY W. RYDEN, PASTOR
722 FRANKLIN AVE.
ASTORIA, OREGON

OFFICE:
284 16TH ST.
PHONE 1329-J

August 1, 1955

To the -
Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Friends in Christ,

Since returning from my vacation the Bethany Lutheran Church of Chicago, Illinois has extended me a call to become pastor of their congregation.

My nine and one half years in Astoria have been pleasant years and the roots of love and concern have gone down deep into the life of the congregation and community, so what follows has not been an easy or hasty decision. I herewith tender my resignation as pastor of this Trinity Lutheran Church that the call from Bethany Lutheran Church may be accepted.

It is from the depth of my heart that I express to the Trinity family my sincere thanks and love for the kindness, love and cooperation shown to me as your pastor and to Mrs. Ryden and the children. May God bless and keep each and everyone of you in His loving Son, Jesus Christ, in whom we have the hope of eternal life.

Roy W. Ryden

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

August 21, 1955

[illegible] special congregational meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, [illegible], [illegible] Sunday, August 21, 1955 following the morning worship of the congregation.

[illegible] in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit [illegible] r Roy W. Ryden.

In the absence of the Secretary, Mr. Elmer Blomquist the pastor appointed Mrs. Ivan Emerson as Secretary-protem.

This special meeting was called to accept the resi[illegible] allowing him to [illegible] thany Lutheran Church, Chicago, Illinois.

Pastor Ryden read his letter of resignation.

Mr. Gordon Storaasli read the resolution from the Church Council-

> "The Council recognizes the challenge Pastor Ryden faces in carrying his sincere teachings and understanding to a new real of Christian freidnship as well as the great loss of close friendship and guidance so dear to the members and friends of Trinity Church and in order that he may accept the call, the Church Council hereby recommends to the congregation that the letter of resignation be accepted."

It was duly moved, seconded and carried that the resolution be adopted.

It was announced that Pastor Merrill Lindquist of Warren, Oregon had been elected by the Church Council to serve as Vice-Pastor.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Ivan Emerson, Secy. Protem.

Approved Church Council 8/22, 1955

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING HELD SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1955 12 O'CLOCK NOON.

A special meeting of the congregation of the Trinity Lutheran Church [illegible]ria, Oregon was held on Sunday, September 11, 1955 following the [illegible]

The meeting was called to order by Pastor Roy Ryden following appropriate prayers.

Mrs. Ivan Emerson was appointed secretary pro-tem.

The first business to [illegible] [illegible] William S. Peterson of New Westminister, B.C. Canada as pastor at Trinity. Jack Wood, secretary of the Church Council, read a report of the meeting of the Church Council held on Monday, August 22, 1955 at which it voted unanimously to extend the call to Reverend William S. Petersen of New Westminister B.C., Canada for the office of pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church. After due discussion a secret ballot was taken as to whether or not Reverend William S. Peterson should be called. Arnold Ekstrom, Robert Hagerup, Richard Sethe and Richard Tennant served as tellers and reported that out of 89 ballots cast, 89 had voted in favor of calling Reverend William S. Petersen.

Jack Wood further reported that the Church Council recommended that Reverend William S. Peterson be called at a salary of $ 3,600. per year, plus $ 400. per year car expense, plus parsonage, all utilities, and heat, plus one month's vacation, plus moving Reverend William S. Petersen and his family and all furniture and personal property from New Westminister to Astoria. On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the following resolution was adopted:

> That a call be extended to the Reverend William S. Petersen of New Westminister, B.C. Canada to become pastor of this congregation at a salary of $ 3,600. per year, plus $ 400. per year car expense, plus parsonage, all utilities and heat, plus one month's vacation per year.
>
> That the congregation will also pay the expense of moving the Reverend William S. Petersen and his family and all personal property from New Westminister to Astoria, Oregon.

There being no further or other business to come before the meeting the same was, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, adjourned upon the closing prayer by Pastor Ryden.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ivan Emerson. Secretary Pro-tem

approved 9/12/55

[illegible]

Secy - Pro-tem

[illegible]

[illegible] 11 [illegible]

[illegible] B.C.

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

held at the office of the corporation on the 20th day of November, 19 55, pursuant to a legal call therefor according to the by-laws of said corporation. There was present a quorum of the duly elected and qualified directors of said corporation, in accordance with the by-laws thereof, whereupon the following resolution, upon motion duly made and seconded, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that this corporation borrow money from time to time from The United States National Bank of Portland (Oregon), a national banking association, the amount thereof not to exceed in the aggregate at any one time the sum of *

Three Thousand and no/100- Dollars ($3000.00),

and that the president or any vice president, in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, or ** Chairman of Board Administration--Gordon J. Storaasli

Congregational Secretary--E. T. Blomquist

are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver, in the name of this corporation, its promissory note or notes (with or without its corporate seal), upon such terms in respect to time, amount, rate of interest or otherwise, as may be agreed upon, to execute and deliver to said bank in the name of and under the seal of this corporation, real property mortgages, chattel mortgages, bills of sale, general collateral agreements or general guaranties; to enter into and execute loan agreements and other contracts and such other instruments as shall be necessary or expedient in the borrowing of money.

Resolved, that any one of the officers above specified, or **

or any one of the latter, is hereby authorized and empowered in the name of this corporation to draw drafts or acceptances and to discount and transfer to said bank, or to pledge (but not mortgage, unless so authorized under the foregoing paragraph) with said bank as collateral security for the payment of all or any of said instruments representing sums so borrowed, such assets of which this corporation is the owner or in which it has an interest as he shall consider necessary or expedient for such purpose, and, in the furtherance of such discounting or pledging, to execute upon any negotiable or non-negotiable instruments, or in connection therewith, such endorsements or guaranties, or both, as shall be required, and to execute in the name of this corporation (with or without its corporate seal), and deliver to said bank, such agreements of any and every character, including, without limitation, repurchase agreements and guaranties, as said bank shall require in relation to such discounting or pledging of said assets, or any thereof, or in relation to the collection or sale thereof.

Resolved, that this resolution shall constiute a continuing authority to said designated persons to act on behalf of this corporation, and the several powers and authority granted in the foregoing paragraphs of this resolution shall continue until revoked by this corporation and formal written notice of such revocation shall have been given to said bank, all such powers and authority heretofore granted under similar resolutions being hereby terminated and revoked.

Resolved, that the Secretary of this corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to deliver to said bank a copy of this resolution, properly certified by him, in evidence of the authority of said persons to borrow money and to execute and deliver the instruments above specified and secure payment thereof as above provided.

This Certifies, that the undersigned is the Secretary of the above named corporation; that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution unanimously passed by the Board of Directors thereof at a meeting of said Board held on the day and at the place above specified, legally called and held, at which a quorum was present and voting.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said corporation this 14th day of December, 19 55.

E. Blomquist

Secretary.

(Seal)

*If amount not limited hereby, insert "unlimited"; otherwise state amount.

**Other officials may be designated if desired.

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

November 20, 1955

The special congregational meeting was called to order by Pastor Lindquist in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Trustee Chairman Andrew Olsen. reported that the anticipated remodeling for the kitchen, utility and attic would run approximately $2000.00 with some materials and labor to be donated.

Gordon Storaasli, Chairman of the Board of Administration recommended that borrowing up to $3000.00 be allowed to cover the project and any thing unforseen at this time.

Motion by Gordon Storaasli that the Board of Administration be empowered to borrow up to $3000.00 for remodeling and renovating the parsonage and church property. Motion seconded by Emil Bjork. Upon vote motion carried.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Elmer Blomquist, Secretary

Approved Chruch Council

[illegible]utes of the Twenty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church

January 22, 1956

4:00 P. M.

[illegible] congregation was called to order by Pastor Petersen. [illegible] the congregation was led in scripture reading and prayer [illegible].

Elmer Blomquist was elected secretary of the congregation for the ensuing year.

Remarks from Pastor Petersen, in place of the annual pastor's report.

The following tellers were appointed: Arthur Boettcher, Clark Hedeen and Jack Wood.

The nominating committee's report was heard as follows:

Trustees	Deacons	Trustees, Columbia Hospital
H. Ebsen	A. Johanson	G. Johanson
R. Hoyer	R. Sethe	C. Johnson
E. Johnson	R. Tennant	
W. Paldanius	H. Werth	**Auditors**
[illegible]. Young		G. Kelsey
		C. Johnson

Nominations from the floor were called for, with the following being nominated:

Trustees

Elmer Blomquist

Deacons

Otto Jacobsen

Trustee, Columbia Hospital

John Wicks

Emmanuel Hospital Charity Board

Gunnar Johansen
Pastor Wm. Petersen

Delegate to Synod

R. Tennant

Alternate

G. Storassli

Motion by Edgar Johnson, seconded by Jack Wood, that the Board of Administration appoint the delegate to the Conference and District meetings. Upon vote, motion carried.

The following financial reports for year 1955 were presented:

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR 1955

Report of the Financial Secretary

INCOME: Benevolence

Advance for Christ	174.00	
Envelopes	2,084.76	
Baptism	112.00	
Lutheran World Action	260.79	
Aug. Mis. Advance	109.92	
Youth Fellowship Offering	125.17	
Lenten Denial Offering	570.50	
		[illegible]

INCOME: Current Expense

Initial	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
		[illegible]

INCOME: [illegible]

[illegible]	1,772.28	
		[illegible]

[illegible] - 13,563.75

Report of Benevolent Treasurer

Reported Balance 1/1/55	$ (130.43)
Income	3,437.14
Expenditures	3,155.84
Balance 1/1/56	150.87

Report of the Current Treasurer

Reported Balance 1/1/55	66.51
Income	8,354.33
Expenditures	8,380.31
Balance 1/1/56	40.53

Disbursements made as follows:

Benevolent Expense:	Budget '55	Expended '55
Conference Allocation		
Portland District	2,200.00	2,200.00
Pension & Aid	43.75	43.75
Lutheran World Action	375.00	359.00
Advance for Christ	Offering	
Youth Fellowship	- - -	174.00
Baptismal Certificates	Offering	125.17
Augustana Mission Advance	30.00	
Augustana Pension Appeal	- - -	103.92
	- - -	150.00
Totals	2,648.75	3,155.84

CURRENT EXPENSE:	Budget '55	Expended '55	Budget '56
Pastor's Salary	$ 3,360.00	3,117.50	
Choir Directing	360.00	360.00	
Organist	420.00	420.00	
Custodian	600.00	600.00	
Salaries (Other)	- -	22.50	
Utilites	600.00	603.55	
Fuel	700.00	921.01	
Maintenance & Repair	450.00	658.95	
Church Supplies	400.00	461.27	
Insurance & Taxes	450.00	287.00	
Postage & Publicity	175.00	110.92	
Devotional Material	75.00	49.75	
Car Allowance	600.00	500.00	
Church Music	- -	13.80	
Miscellaneous	100.00	254.06	
	$ 8,290.00	$ 8,380.31	

BUILDING FUND:

Balance, January 1, 1955	$417.78
Receipts	1,772.28
	2,190.06
Disbursements: (Parsonage mortgate)	1,883.78
Balance, 12/31/55:	306.28

FINANCIAL REPORT OF ORGANIZATIONS

ORGANIZATION	Balance 1/1/55	Income 1955	Expended 1955	Balance 12/31/55
Ladies Aid:				
Cash:	737.66	753.76	787.73	703.69
Savings Account	1,009.93	226.37	- -	1,236.30
Bonds	185.00	- -	- -	185.00
Daughters of Trinity	231.94	204.49	395.80	40.63
Luther League	12.15			
Trinity Brotherhood	49.67	246.86	151.91	144.62
Sunday School	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fellowship Club	10.85	57.42	46.14	22.13
Women's Missionary Soc.	- - -	282.18	275.15	7.03
Junior Missionary Soc.	- - -	144.95	114.95	- --
Tiem Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Memorial Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]	- - -	[illegible]

The secretary read the auditor's report as follows:

January 22, 1956

To the Trinity Lutheran Church:

We, the undersigned, [illegible] and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and B[illegible] Treasurers, Building Committee [illegible]

[illegible]

E. H. Johnson

A motion was made, seconded and carried that the auditors report be accepted as read.

The proposed current budget for 1956 was submitted as follows:

Pastor's Salary	$ 3,600.00	
Choir Directing	360.00	
Organist	420.00	
Custodian	600.00	
Utilities	600.00	
Fuel	900.00	
Maintenance & Repairs	500.00	
Church Supplies	400.00	
Insurance & Taxes	450.00	
Postage & Publicity	125.00	
Devotional Material	50.00	
Car Allowance	400.00	
Church Music		30.00 Added
Miscellaneous	250.00	
	$8,655.00	$8,685.00

After a general discussion of various items, a motion was made by Storassli, and seconded, that $30.00 for Church Music [illegible], increasing the total to $8,685.00. Motion carried.

The proposed Benevolent budget for 1956 was submitted as follows:

Conference Allocation	$ 2,300.00
Portland District	45.00
Pension & Aid	375.00
Lutheran World Action	Offering
Youth Fellowship	Offering
Baptismal Certificates	30.00
Augustana Mission Advance	Offering
	$[illegible]

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the Benevolent Budget be accepted as proposed.

[illegible]ied that an advertising bill of some over $8.00 [illegible] current fund.

The [illegible]utions Committee proposed the following resolutions for congregational [illegible]

[illegible] THAT:

1. [illegible] Budget be adopted.

2. [illegible] thanks to God for the blessings of the past year. [illegible] For these and other manifold blessings, we render [illegible]

3. [illegible]

RESOLUTIONS (Continued)

4. We express our sincere thanks to each memb[illegible] who so willingly and [illegible] his or her part during the year, [illegible] especially during the time when we had no regular pastor.

5. We pledge our support to our new pastor so that working together as congregation and Pastor, the Kingdom of God may be advanced.

6. That we once again remind ourselves of the duty of members as outlined in our constitution, and resolve to abide as closely as we can to the directions given, to wit: "[illegible] igently [illegible] [illegible] (Art. IV, Sec 1, par.1)

7. That we [illegible] Youth Worship Service in 1955 and that we pledge our support to them in all their activities during 1956.

8. That we give heed to the admonition of the Word of God concerning our contributions to the work of the Christian Church as it is found in I Cor. 16:2: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him."

9. That those who suffered bereavement during 1955 may find comfort in John 3:17.

10. That we authorize the Board of Administration to set special dates to receive offerings for Youth Sunday, Augustana Mission Advance, Lutheran World Action, and other offerings which they may deem advisable and necessary.

11. That Christ may rule as King in the hearts of men, that we, being drawn to the Prince of Peace may have peace on earth and good will toward mankind.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Art Stromness
Glen Larson
Robert Hagerup

Motions were made, seconded and carried on each resolution as read.

The report of the Tellers was read, with the following church officers elected:

Trustees	Deacons
R. Hoyer	A. Johanson
E. Johnson	R. Sethe
W. Paldanius	H. Werth

Trustees, Columbia Hospital	Emmanuel Hospital Charity Board
G. Johanson	Pastor Petersen
Cliff Johnson	
	Delegate to Synod:
Auditors	R. Tennant
G. Kelsey	Alternate
Cliff Johnson	G. Storassli

M[illegible]ion was made, seconded and carried that the tellers be authorized to destroy the ballots.

Wm. Seeley of the Art Glass Window Committee reported that sketches have been prepared and study is being made for the [illegible] the Earth window. Plans for continuity of the balance of the windows are being formulated.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved, seconded and carried that we adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned with the Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. Emanuel, Secretary

Minutes of the 27th Annual Meeting of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church held January 27, 1957 with 63 communicant members present.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M. in the Church parlors by Pastor William S. Petersen. Following the singing of the hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God", the congregation was led in scripture reading and prayer by William Seeborg.

V. William Seeborg was elected secretary of the congregation for 1957.

Pastor William S. Petersen read his annual report, which is as follows:
To: The Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon.
DateL 27 January, 1957.
Grace and Peace!
"Assemble the people, men, women, and little ones, and the stranger within your towns, that they may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God." (Deuteronomy 31:12)

The words of our text were spoken by Moses when he was 120 years old, and about to depart from this life. He knew he was going to die, because God had told him so, and, since we always consider the last words of an individual very carefully, it will be well for us to remember these words of Moses. He was saying the things that he considered to be most important as God directed him. We who believe and know the Word of God understand that as Moses speaks, God is giving us direction.

God has many things to say to us, and we should listen to all He has to say; there is not time for that this afternoon, but surely there is time to heed this one command of God as He speaks through His servant, Moses.

"Assemble the people," God says, and here in Trinity we have heeded that command. Services of Divine Worship have been held each Sunday in 1956 at 11 AM. The need was felt for two services in order that parents of Church School children might be able to attend worship while the children receive their instruction. Our first early worship services was held 1 July, and has continued ever since. Grades 4 through 8 of the Church School assemble in the sanctuary with the adults at 9:45 for the opening liturgical service. During the singing of the pulpit hymn the children fato their classes, and the adults remain for the sermon and the closing of the service. We feel that there is a very significant value in the fact that the children are being trained to worship in the church at a real church service. A total of 78 morning worship services were held in 1956 with an average attendance of 197 per Sunday. The average attendance at our Lenten services during February and March was 120. A sad chapter in 1956 was our communion record. We have 343 members who live in Astoria, and 113 of these never went to the table of the Lord (at least we have no record of it). I believe you should know the record, so here it is. 34% of our people commune regularily (6 to 12 times); 30% commune occasionally (1-5 times); and 34% have not communed at all. In his annual report for 1954 your former Pastor, Rev. Roy Ryden, said something very important when he said, "It is in the area of attendance at worship and in receiving the Sacrament that members bear witness or fail to bear witness to the validity and vitality of their church membership. Certainly a congregation bears its best community witness in terms of well-attended services inseason and out of season." Thank you, Pasto Ryden, for this reminder once again that we are to attend services and participate in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Let us remember that command of Goo to "assemble the people, men, women, and little ones, and the stranger in your town (Astoria), that they may hear and lear to fear the Lord Your God."

Trinity has been concerned this past year with the worship life of its people at home. Every member has been supplied with a daily devotional guide, The Word in Season. It is impossible to know how many of our people use these booklets, but I know that many have expressed their thanks and appreciation. As in the past, a bulletin has been provided each Sunday at services. Something new was the advent of the Mid-week Bulletin which is printed each week, and mailed to members and friends of the congregation. Its purpose is to keep us informed of the activities of the congregation, and to be a reminderthat we have services every Sundat at 9:45 and 11:00.

During the year 19 of our members were transferred to other Lutheran congregations. 4 were dropped from our records, and 2 died. Mrs. Olive Carlson left this life on 14 March and Mr. John T. Haggblom passed away on 2 May. We pray that those who have suffered the loss of a loved one may find comfort from Him Who is calle "The God of all comfort."

A class of 11 made their confirmation vows this year, and 5 adults were received by confirmation. Four people came to us by transfer, and five others by reaffirmation of their faith. We are especially happy that two people were received by adult baptism: Jerry Lundholm and Don Johnson. Our confirmed membership now stands at 394.

I am sure the comment will be made sometime this afternoon that it was not necessary in 1956 to ask any ofour organizations for financial aid. Not having read the financial report for the past several years, I am not aware of the difficulties that have been faced. But this I do know: last Fall we had a very fine response to our Every Member Visitation. Our people were asked to make a commitment for the needs of Trinity and Trinity's mission program, and every may you look at it the Visitation was a marvelous success. It means that we do not need to hesitate when we step into 1957 -- our people have said they would support Trinity, and I believe they will. I believe it is wonderful to be a part of a congregation that means business when it sets our to do the work of the Lord.

The financial report of our organizations will be discussed at another place in our meeting, but it might be well to mention that thebrotherhood sent one of our Luther Leaguers to Leadership School in Parkland, Washington, and has purchased 15 very fine bibles for the use of the Church School and the congregation. The Daughters of Trinity have purchased 12 source banquet tables which is a very fine addition to our equipment. The Luther League did not come out so well financially, but their active program now includes a breakfast and Bible Study twice each month. The Junior Luther League has recently been organized under the direction of Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg, and we feel that this group will be the outlet needed for our 7th and 9th graders. Our Ladies Aid is always doing things, and some of the activity of 1956 includes the following: sending a Leaguer to Leadership School, re-covering the furniture in the Parish House, installing a new sink in the kitchen of the Parish House, placing a public address system in the church, and furnishing venetian blinds for the front rooms of the parsonage. The Womens Missionary Society has met regularily and contributed substantially to the mission work of the church at large. The Fellowship Club continues to be an organization of fun and good times, but note that there are occasional service projects also. The church was cleaned at Easter and decorated for Christmas. A mail-box was designed, constructed and installed at the church. They have a lot of fun, but when it is necessary to find people to pack a half ton of clothing for Hungarian relief, it's good to know that you can call on the Fellowship Club and know the job will get done.

The Church School has functioned well with the limited facilities at its disposal. Instruction goes on from week to week, and a vacation Bible School was held on 10 successive Mondays last summer. I suppose that the most of our membership has the feeling that our Church School teachers have a wonderful place to teach in our Parish House; but I would suggest that you come around about 10 o'clock some Sunday morning to see how things are going. Church School instruction literature is pretty well in agreement when it advises that there should be no more than eighth a class. Some of our teachers have more than twice that many. I am very happy that our budget committee saw fit to place an item of $3000 in our proposed budget for 1957 for the purpose of starting a fund for a future education unit. I feel it is a must if we are to obey that Word of God that says we are to "assemble ... the little ones ... that they may hear and learn to fear the Lord." Our teachers are doing their very best, and we appreciate very much whate they are doing; but some day, and I hope the day will be soon, we willnave to think very seriously of doing something about our educational facilities.

One of the great problems that faces your Pastor is the problem of visiting you in your home. These are days when people look to the Pastor for guidance in family matters and social problems. I find that much of my time is spent in organizing within the congregation, and in counseling with those who need help. I appreciated very much the privilege of attending a week of classes at the Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle -- even preachers need a "refresher" course once in awhile. I attended the Columbia Conference meeting in Idaho Falls, and the Pastoral Conference in Sandy (7 miles east of Portland). Various meetings of the Portland District were also attended. Your Pastor officiated and 40 baptisms, and 9 weddings and 15 funerals.

As I think of the people who are serving their Lord here in Trinity, I ask myself, "Is there any way that I can thank them for what they are doing?" It is an impossibility to mention them by name. But then again, I think, perhaps it isn't necessary to thank all of you. I am reminded of the worker in our church who I thanked for something, and in a way that caused her displeasure and anguish, she said, "But Pastor, you shouldn't thank me -- I'm the one who should thank you, because you have given me the opportunity to serve." When there are people like that in Trinity, I am encouraged to believe once again that nothing in this world can stop the cause of Christ and His Church.

The year 1957 is when we cant "to assemble the people, men, women, and the little ones, and the stangr (in Astoria), that they may hear and lear to gear the Lord." We will call it a Program of Evangelism. It will mean work and servie on the partof everyone; but the returns are wonderful in terms of that Word from the Lord: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Very Sincerely,
Wm. S. Petersen.

A motion on the report was called for the the secretary, whereupon, it was duly moved, seconded and carried the Pastor Petersen's annual report be accepted.

The chairman, Pastor Petersen, appointed Paul Johnson, Ragnor Hoyer and Mrs. Christians to serve as election tellers.

The nominating committee made the following report:

Trustees:	Deacons:	Emanuel Hospital Charity Board:
Richard Aho	Chester Balsley	Ralph Norstrom
Elmer Blomquist	Arthur Boettcher	Arthur Stromsness
Allard Conger	Clark Hedeen	Mrs. Jack Wood
Iven Dalgren	Casper Paulson	
Harry Ebsen	Nels I. Rasmussen	
Larry Snyder	~~Paul Johnson~~	
Jack Wood		
Andrew Young		

Columbia Hospital Board	Nominating Committee for 1958	Auditors:
Elmer Blomquist	Gunnar Johanson	[illegible]
Ernest Brown	Clark Hedeen	
Edgar Johnson	Edgar Johnson	
	Ethel Wicks	

The following nominations were made fromthe floor: Deacons: Paul Johnson; Emanuel Charity Board, F. S. Elfving; Columbia Hospital Board, Ragnor Hoyer; Auditors, Mrs. Clark Hedeen and Edgar Johnson; Delegate to Conference, Ethel Elfving and William Seeborg; delegate to Portland District, Andrew Olson.

The chairman named Richard Tennant and Arthur Stromsness to serve as tellers in place of Paul Johnson and Ragnor Hoyer who had become candidates as the result of nominations from the floor.

The following auditors report was read:

27 January, 1957

To the Trinity Lutheran Church:
We, the undersigned, have audited the reports, receipts, and books of the Financial Secretary, Current and Benevolent Treasurers, Church School Treasurer, and the respective Church societies' Treasurers of the congregation as summarized in the report, and believe the same to be correct.
We recommend that the Board of Administration ~~consider~~ CONSIDER placing the funds of the Memorial Fund into a savings account and draw interest until such time as the art windows are purchased.

Respectfully submitted.
E. W. Blomquist
G. Johanson

It was moved, seconded and carried that the auditors report be accepted.

The treasurer of the Benevolence fund made the following report:

Balance as of January 1, 1956		$150.87
Receipts 1956:		
Envelopes	$2,367.00	
Baptisms	60.00	
Lutheran World Action	563.56	
Luther League	128.06	
Lenten Denial Banks	442.74	
Columbia Conference offering during installation	37.55	
Augustana Mission Advance	212.39	
Total receipts		$4081.30
Total receipts and balance		4232.17
Disbursements 1956:		
Pension and Aid	375.00	
Columbia Conference	2300.00	
Lutheran World Action	821.35	
Luther League	128.06	
Augustana Mission Advance	212.39	
District fares	56.25	
Columbia Conference	37.55	
Baptismal certificates	6.96	
Total disbursements:		$3943.56
Balance as of December 31, 1956		288.61

Respectfully submitted,
G. Johanson, treasurer.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Benevolence treasurer be accepted.

The current treasurer reported as follows:

Budget for 1956	$8, 685.00	
Income for 1956	9,970.59	
Expended in 1956	10,081.98	
	-	$111.39
Balance from building fund	224.33	
Deficit in current fund	111.39	
Credit	$112.94	

Larry Snyder, treasurer

It was moved, seconded and carried that the current treasurers report be accepted.

The following financial report of organizations was read:

Organization	Balance '55	Income '56	Expend. '56	Balance '57
Brotherhood	144.62	324.79	340.04	129.37
Building Fund	306.78	3005.70	3088.15	224.33
(Income includes loan of $1750.00. $568.48 has been paid on it)				
Choir		66.00		66.00
Daughters of Trinity	40.63	285.52	317.08	9.07
Fellowship Club	22.13	50.16	47.15	25.14
Ladies Aid	703.69	902.52	883.76	722.45
(Ladies Aid Savings	1236.30	256.96	-	1493.26)
Luther League	10.78	122.62	145.32	-11.92
Memorial Fund	2365.51	299.50	107.54	2557.47
Sunday School	69.14	1057.59	959.36	167.37
Women's Missionary Society	7.03	297.70	304.73	-

It was moved, seconded and carried that the reports be received.

The proposedbudget for 1957 was read and explained by Larry Snyder, a member of the budget committee:

Item	Budgeted 1956		Expended 1956		Proposed 1957	
Pastor's Salary	$3,600		$3,600.00		$3,600	
Other Salaries:						
Sexton	600		605.00		600	
11 AM Organist	420		420.00		420	
Choir Leaders	360		360.00		360	
9:45 Organist	-		-		120	
Pulpit Supply	-	1,380	40.00	1,425.00	50	1,550
Utilities		600		709.28		650
Fuel		900		976.23		1,000
Maintenance & Repair		500		270.37		500
Supplies & Dev. Material		450		862.04		650
Insurance & Taxes		450		561.40		700
Postage & Publicity		125		201.71		150
Car Allowance		400		420.00		1,000
Luther League		-		-		150
Sunday School		-		-		1,000
Miscellaneous			391.78		-	
Pastor to Astoria			255.50		-	
Congregational dinner	250	250	381.30	1,028.58	250	250
Other		30		27.37		30
Music		-		-		150
Parish Evangelism		-		-		935
Debt reduction		-		-		3,000
Parish Education Unit Fund		-		-		100
Lutheran Student Work		-		-		100
LBI Student Aid		-		-		60
District Fare Fund		45		56.25		400
Pension & Aid		375		375.00		2,575
Conference Allocation		2,300		2,300.00		$18,550
		$11,405		$12,813.22		Offering
Luther League Fellowship				128.06		Offering
Lutheran World Action				821.35		Offering
Augustana Mission Advance				218.39		Offering
Advance For Christ				-		?
				$13,981.02		

Following some questions from the Congregations and answers by Mr. Snyder, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried the the budget as presented, be adopted.

The following resolutions were proposed by the resolutions committee for adioption by the Congregation:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

1. We who are here assembled in the annual meeting of our beloved Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation, humbly and prayerfully turn to God for Guidance and counsel in all our deliberations so that the decisions of this meeting shall be in accordance with His Divine Will.

2. We be mindful of our Lord's great love as exemplified by the many good and wonderful things which He has blessed us during the year just past.

3. We lift our hearts to God in gratitude for His Word and the Sacraments which have been, and are, ours to accept and receive, to the end that we might have life everlasting.

4. We be not forgetful of our obligations as stated in Article IV, Section I, Paragraph I, of the constitution of our Church: "The members shall diligently andprayerfully study the Word of God, observe private and family worship and devotional services of the Congregation, and faithfully and reverently partake of the Lord's Supper."

5. Those who have suffered bereavement during 1956 be urged to find comfort in Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

6. We sincerely express our gratitude to Pastor Petersen for his evangelical preaching and Christian counseling; and to his good and loyal wife, Alice Jane, for the inspitation in Christian living which she brings to those about her.

7. We express our very great thanks to the officers andteachers of our Church School who make possible the vital program of the Christian education of our youth, and further, that we pledge our support in every effort towards the improvement of our parish education facilities.

8. We be grateful to all those who in one way or another, have workedfor the Church, thus making possible the well-rounded program of Christian Education which has been offered to the members and to the community; and that we be mindful of the fine work done by our Deacons and Trustees, especially those whose terms of office now expire.

9. We be grateful to the Luther League for its service to the Church, and expressour joy at the formation of a Junior Luther League.

10. That we be truly thankful for the 1956 Stewardship Program in which so many heeded the admonition given in I Corinthians 16:2 -"On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, ashe may prosper."

11. We pledge our support to the coming Evangelism Mission in February and the Evangelism Program for the entire year.

12. We authorize the Board of Administration to receive special offierings for Youth Sunday, Augustana Mission Advance, Advance for Christ, Lutheran World Action, Christmas, and Easter. (added by the Congregation) Brotherhood offering.)

13. We invoke the Spirit of Christ to enter the hearts of men, and bring peace to the world. We pray also for those suffering oppression, that the love of Christ will Strengthen them.

Commitee: Gunnar Johanson, Ella Riswick, William Seeborg.

Upon the reading of each resolution, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried with the exception of number 12, to which was added Brotherhood offering and which then carried unanimously.

The report of the tellers was read, with the following elected:

Trustees:	Deacons:	Emanuel Hospital Charity Board:	Columbia Hospital Board:
Elmer Blomquist, 3 years	Chester Balsley - 3	Ralph Nordstrom 3 yr	Elmer Blomquist
Larry Snyder, 3 years	Arthur Boettcher 2	Arthur Stromsness 3 yr	Edgar Johnson
Jack Wood, 3 years	Clark Hedeen 3	Mrs. Jack Wood 1 yr	
Harry Ebsen, 2 years	Casper Paulson 3		
	Nels I. Rasmussen 1		
	Paul Johnson 1		

Nominating Comm. for 1958:	Auditors:	Delegate to Conference:	Delegate to District:
Gunnar Johanson	Mrs. Clark Hedeen	W. William Seeborg	Andrew Olson
Clark Hedeen	Edgar Johnson	Mrs. Ethel Elfving, alt.	
Edgar Johnson			
Ethel Wicks			

(Note: since the Deacons a receive a like vote, they will determine by lot who shall serve for 3 years (3); who for 2 years (2) and who for one year (1).

The Chair declared the above to be the duly elected officers for the coming terms.

Pastor Petersen expressed his personal gratitude for resolution No. 6, and for the increase in the car allowance.

In closing, the Congregation sang Hymn No. 67 after which all united in the Benediction.

Secretary

January 19, 1958

The annual meeting of the Congregation of the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church was called to order by Reverend William C. Peterse.

After singing of the hymn "The Church's One Foundation, by the congregation, Mrs Ethel Elfving gave the invocation reading and prayer.

[illegible] there were [illegible] sixty five (265) member congregation, four hundred twenty five (425). [illegible] (10%) of the

The election of a secretary was in order and Paul J [illegible] nominated, [illegible] Arthur Stromsness was nominated [illegible] nominations were closed [illegible]

[illegible] It was moved, seconded and carried that this report be accepted.

The appointment of tellers was next and the following were appointed: Mrs. C. Amundson, Gunnar Johanson, Paul Johnson and Marvin Fausett.

Gunnar Johnson reported for the Nominating committee who submitted the following nominations: For Trustees: Andrew Young, Don Johnson, Al Hansen, Ivan Dahlgren; Deacons: [illegible] Auditors for 1959: Ethel Wicks, William Seeborg, Nels Rasmussen, Edgar Johnson, Ethel Elfving; For Emanuel Hospital Charity Board: Edgar Johnson, Caspar Paulson; For Deacons: Dick Tenant, Robert Ross, Ted Ivarie, Robert Hagerup; For Columbia Hospital Board, subject to approval of Trustees of Columbia Conference; Art Stromsness, Rev. Wm. Petersen, J.C. Johnson, Gunnar Johanson, Ernest Brown; Auditors: No Nominatiions submitted [illegible]; Delegates to Conference: No nominations submitted.

Nomination from the floor was called for with the following results: Emanuel Hospital Charity Board: Gunnar Johanson; for Deacons: William Seeborg, J.C. Johnson; Columbia Hospital Board: Dick Tenant; Auditors: Gunnar Johanson, Paul Johnson; Delegates to Conference: William Seeborg; Andrew Olsen; Delegate to District: Arthur Boettcher, Marvin Fausett. Nominations were then duly closed and balloting by the congregation took place and ballots were collected by the tellers and they retired from the meeting to tabulate the results.

Edgar Johnson then read the Financial report of the Current Treasurer of the Congregation. It was moved, seconded and carried that this report be accepted.(Copy attached)

The Report of the Auditors was read and it was moved, seconded and carried that this report be accepted.(Copy Attached)

Edgar Johnson was called to present the Budget for 1959. It was moved, seconded and carried that this be accepted. (Copy Attached)

The Tellers reported the following results: Trustees; Andrew Young, 17 votes, Don Johnson, 32 votes, Al Hanse, 19 votes; Ivan Dahlgren, 6 votes; Robert Cordiner, 31 votes; Allard Conger, 32 votes. Johnson, Cordiner, Conger elected to fill these offices.
Deacons: Dick Tenant, 27 votes, Robert Ross, 36 votes; Ted Ivarie, 15 votes; Robert Hagerup, 18 votes; William Seeborg, 17 votes; J.C. Johnson, 20 votes. Tenant, Ross, Johnson elected to fill these offices.
Emanuel Hospital Charity Board: Edgar Johnson, 34 votes; Caspar Paulson, 32 votes, Gunnar Johanson, 22 votes. Johnson elected to serve three (3) years; Paulson to serve one (1) year. Columbia Hospital Board: Art Stromsness, 20 votes; Rev. Wm. Petersen, 37 votes; J.C. Johnson, 21 votes; Gunnar Johanson, 26 votes, Ernest Brown, 13 votes, Dick Tennant, 15 votes. Rev Petersen, Johnson, Johanson elected to fill these vacancies subject to approval of the Board of Trustees of the Columbia Conference.
Nominating Committee: Ethel Wicks, 31 votes; William Seeborg, 32 votes; Nels Rasmussen, 35 votes; Edgar Johnson, 37 votes; Ethel Elfving, 32 votes; all were elcted to fill the vacancies on this committee.
Delegates to Conference: William Seeborg, 18 votes; Andrew Olsen, 25 votes; Olsen elected as Delegate, Seeborg as alternate.
Delegate to District: Art Boettcher, 27 votes; Marvin Fausett, 14 votes; Boettcher elected as Delegate, Fausett as alternate.

The resolutions were read by Arthur Stromsness and after the reading of each it was moved, seconded and carried that they be adopted. Ethel Elfving suggested that a copy of these resolutions be given to each member and they be asked to re read them.

As instructed by the Church, Reverend Petersen presented the business of whether the Bi-Annual synods of the Church should be replaced with annual synods. Some discussion was made and William Seeborg presented the following motion: That it is the expression of the Trinity Evangelical Church of Astoria, Oregon that in view of the discussion on proposed unification of various synods, that the Augustana Lutheran Church hold its synodical meetings annually as heretofore. This motion was promptly seconded, and passed by the congregation.

Approval of the minutes of this meeting were brought up as the next order of business. A motion that these minutes be presented to the Board of Administration for a proval was made, seconded, and carried.

William Seeborg reported that the Art Glass Window Committee wished to be discharged because it felt that this committee had done all it could and a new committee would be beneficial to the success of this project. The present committee had done considerable contacting of various firms who manufacture and install windows of this type, but had not been able to get any concrete commitments from anyone. It was moved that the Board of Administration be given authority to appoint a new committee for the Art Glass Window with power to act. This was promptly seconded and carried.

Edgar Johnson remarked that the curhc had many old records, I.E., cancelled checks, paid bills, etc., which had no apparent historical value and asked if it were not possible for these to be destroyed. It was moved that all financial records be kept for five (5) years except those of historical value. This motion was promptly seconded and carried.
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*****A motion for adjournment was in order which was made, seconded, and carried. with the remainder of the evening being spent in a fellowship dinner.

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***** Pastor Petersen announced that the newly elected board members would be installed following the 11:00 A.M. service, January 26th, and the organizational meeting was scheduled for the evening of the same day at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish house. Wives of members invited to this meeting.

AGENDA FOR THE 28TH ANNUAL MEETING

Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria, Oregon

19 January 1958
4:30 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation" #74
3. Scripture reading and Prayer - Ethel Elfving
4. Election of secretary
5. Annual report of the Pastor
6. Action on Pastor's report
7. Appointment of tellers
8. Report of Nominating Committee - Gunnar Johanson
9. Nominations from the floor
10. Elections
11. Financial reports:
    a) Current treasurer - Edgar Johnson
    b) Report of auditors
    c) Other reports
12. Presentation of proposed budget - Edgar Johnson
13. Report of tellers
14. Resolutions - Art Stromsness
15. Other business
    Bi-annual synods of the Church — am. appr.
    Approval of minutes
16. Announcements
    a) Installation of all Board Members, new and old, following 11 AM service on 26 January.
    b) Organizational Board meeting on 26 January at 7:30 PM in Parish House. Wives of members invited to the meeting. Coffee and fellowship following.
17. Adjournment
18. Hymn: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" #13
19. The Benediction
20. Fellowship supper

REPORT OF THE PASTOR FOR 1957

Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria, Oregon
Annual Meeting - Jan. 19, 1958

To the Members of Trinity:

"Grace and peace!"

The stumbling-block of Christianity in all ages and in all places has been these words of Jesus: "Whosoever would save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it." This insight comes to us from the pen of Dr. O. Hallesby, for many years a professor in a theological seminary in Norway. To the Jews these words were a stumbling-block, and to the Greeks they were foolishness. I am afraid that they sound like foolishness to many members of our congregation -- and yet they stand. We believe that Jesus spoke the truth; we believe that this particular part of His message is also the truth.

If we could only see it: -- The more we try to glorify ourselves, the more we strive to gain as much as we can for "me", the more that we struggle to push self forward -- the less we have of the finer and the best things in life. If only we could make all those "things" secondary, and "seek first the Kingdom of God", we would find that secondary things would "be added unto us". God is faithful to His Word; we are the ones who so often are faithless, and therefore the blessings of God are withheld. But in spite of our weaknesses and failures, God has been good to Trinity in 1957.

As we permit our minds to wander back over 1957, many interesting and wonderful events focus into view. The Prayer Vigil on February 16 is something we will always remember. All day long and into the night our people came to the church to pray. We were getting ready for our week of Evangelism (Feb. 24 - March 1), when Pastor Earl Anderson of Lake Stevens, Washington was with us. The week was a wonderful blessing to all of us. March 10 was Youth Sunday when our Leaguers had charge of our Morning Worship Services. I was away during the week of March 17, as I served as Guest Missioner at Faith Lutheran Church in Burnaby, British Columbia. The city-wide Good Friday service was held in Trinity on April 19, and of course we had a record attendance on Easter. Mrs. Moberg, Ethel Elfving, Casper Paulson, my wife, and I attended the Columbia Conference meeting at Salt Lake City on April 25-28. Twenty-one members were received into Trinity on May 19. We believe that this is the largest group of adults ever to be received; these people came as a direct result of the visitation held in connection with our Evangelism Mission in February. Then on the 26th of May, 12 young people in our confirmation class made their vows before the altar. From June 17 to 28, Daily Vacation Bible School was conducted with an average attendance of 65 pupils. When 11 of our students graduated from High School, each received a copy of Phillip's "Letters to Young Churches" as a gift from the congregation. Early in July, Pat Wolleson and Mike Foster went to the International Luther League Convention in Chicago. During the week of July 21, our former pastor, Roy W. Ryden, and his family visited in Astoria and attended the congregational picnic on July 28. Two Luther Leaguers, Dennis Northcraft and Sandy Fredrickson, attended the Luther League Leadership School at Pacific Lutheran College in August. I served as Dean of the school, and Mrs. Lindberg worked as one of the counsellors. On October 1st, Missionary Della Brown from Tanganyika, East Africa was here with slides and an interesting story about our mission fields in Africa. Sister Marion Anderson from the Immanuel

deaconess Institute at Omaha, Nebraska came to us on October 14, and told the story of the work of the Diaconate. The congregational dinner held in connection with our stewardship emphasis was held at the John Jacob Astor Hotel on the 2nd of November, and Stewardship Sunday was observed November 10th. The annual Thanksgiving service was held at 10 AM on November 28, the offering of $218.58 going to Augustana Mission Advance. Bibles were given to all the children in grades 3, 4, and 5 of our Church School in November. These Bibles came as a gift from one of the families in our congregation, and the donor hopes to be able to give such a Bible to each of our Church School children as he or she reaches grade 3. Eleven new members were received on December 1st, and the film "Martin Luther" was shown that evening in the church parlors. The Church School Christmas programs were given on December 22 at 9:45 AM and at 4 PM. There were two Christmas Services held, one at 11 PM on Christmas Eve, and another at 10 AM on Christmas Day.

It was a full year. It took many people, each doing his part, in order to accomplish so much in 1957. We are certain that new names were written in the Book of Life during last year, and that makes every bit of the praying and working worth while.

Trinity's membership has shown a marked increase over last year, there being now 425 confirmed members. This was due in a great measure to the Evangelism Mission in February. There were 49 new members added to our books as follows: 12 young people confirmed, 16 adults confirmed, 5 adults baptized, 8 were received by transfer, and 8 made a re-affirmation of their faith. We lost 18 members last year; 15 were transferred, two were dismissed, and one of our members died. Mrs. Mary Haggblom died in May; we recall that her husband died a year before her. We remember that their lives were filled with illness and sadness. We know that if they believed in Christ in this life, that they are now united with their Savior.

Our Church School has shown an increase also. There are now 295 children enrolled in the School. Due to help we have received from the Department of Education of our Church in Minneapolis, we have been able to reorganize our teaching staff so that we are able to proceed much more smoothly than heretofore. Mrs. Gunnar Johanson is doing an excellent job of heading up our teaching staff which now numbers 23. We are always in need of consecrated members of Trinity who are willing to assist with the training of our children.

Services have been held each Sunday at 9:45 and 11:00. The average attendance each Sunday has been 208, which is an increase of 11 over 1956. 19 of our families do not live in Astoria, and 22 of our young people are in college or military service. There is, however, still much room for improvement as far as Sunday attendance is concerned. There have been 14 services at which we celebrated Holy Communion. On the average, 143 people went to the table of the Lord each time. The Lord's Supper is the deepest form of worship we know, and everyone should avail himself of the opportunity to attend the table of the Lord. It is sad to note that some of our people did not receive communion at all in 1957.

Your Pastor has officiated at 46 baptisms, 21 weddings, and 23 funerals. The Board of Administration has had an active year, meeting regularly once a month, and at special times when necessary. The Board has met each 2nd Monday of the month at 7:30, and an hour later the group broke up in order that the Trustees might conduct their business, and the Deacons might attend to theirs. In a congregation as large as ours, there is much to be done, and we are grateful to God for men who have given of their time and talents in order that the Lord's business might be carried on. Those who have served this year together with the year of the expiration of their terms are as follows:

Deacons		Trustees
Gunnar Johanson	1958	J.B. Seppala
Glen Larson	"	Art Stromsness
Nels Rasmussen	"	Art Kvistad
Art Johanson	1959	Ragnar Hoyer
Art Boettcher	"	Edgar Johnson
Paul Johnson	"	Harry Ebsen
Chet Balsley	1960	Elmer Blomquist
Clark Hedeen	"	Larry Snyder
Casper Paulson	"	Jack Wood

It will readily be seen that at our meeting this afternoon we will need to replace the three deacons and the three trustees whose terms expire at this meeting. A special word of thanks to these men who at this time are not eligible to be re-elected.

It is well for you to know that the Church Council (Deacons) is very mindful of its task to keep our membership as active as possible. We realize that there are a number of members in the congregation who should no longer be members due to the fact that they are very much inactive. Each case is different and your Church Council spends a lot of time in considering all the facts before a person is dismissed from the congregation.

Our organizations have functioned well this year. There are enough organizations in the congregation to care for everyone except our younger married couples. When the Fellowship Club started a number of years ago, it was composed of younger couples. Now however, the couples have gotten a bit older, and the couples in their twenties have not joined. Perhaps some consideration should be given to the possibility of starting a group for the newly married folks in the congregation. Financial reports of all the organizations will be found in the report of the auditors.

The Ladies' Aid and the Womens' Missionary Society have met regularly each month, and the women have enjoyed fellowship together. The Aid works primarily for the congregation while the Missionary Society does what it can for American, Foreign, and Social Missions. Each group hasdone a creditable job in 1957. Both these groups feel the need of more members. Interested women would do well to visit either or both of the groups to find where they might be of service.

The Brotherhood is a small group. The monthly dinner meetings are not very well attended, and it seems to be the opinion that as long as there is no definite project or task for the men, that interest will lag. Thought should be given in order that we might find a place where our men can serve their Lord and their church.

The Luther League has had an especially active year. Meetings of the District and Conference Leagues have been attended by members of our local group. At the Youth Sunday service last February $130 was realized for the work of the Synodical Luther League. There are two regular meetings each month, and also a breakfast and Bible Study one Sunday a month. The group is active, and it is a joy to work with them. We are happy to have Mrs. Arthur Johanson as a very capable advisor for them.

Our young people are introduced to Luther League work by attending the Junior League. This League, which is made up of 7th and 8th graders, meets twice a month

under the direction of Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg. One of their interesting projects last year was the Advent Wreath which was made and then lighted by the Leaguers during the Advent Season.

There are two choirs in Trinity. The Junior Choir sings at the 9:45 service, and the Senior group at 11:00. We have not had an overabundance of singers in either choir, but each has made a worth-while effort, and has helped tremendously in making our services more worshipful. Mus. Lindberg directs the Juniors, and Miss Ethel Wicks directs the Senior Choir, and is organist. Mrs. Jerry Lundholm and Miss Delores Fiscola have served as pianists for the 9:45 Worship Service.

The financial report for 1957 will be given by Edgar Johnson. He is the treasurer of the congregation, having been elected when Larry Snyder went to school last summer. The report is a fine one, and I feel that we had such a good year because of the stewardship effort which was made in November of 1956. We praise God that we reached the budget that we set. I note with a great deal of joy that we were able to set aside $3000.00 for our Parish Education Unit. One of these days very soon we should decide to go ahead with the project. Our Church School keeps getting larger, and we do need more space for our pupils. The Parish House we now have is large, I know, but there is much wasted space in it because it was built to be a home and not a Parish Education Unit. All of our obligations were met for last year, and we look forward to the blessing of God upon 1958.

May we remember the words of Jesus: "Whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it." As we forget ourselves during the coming year, and remember to serve God and our fellow man, God will heap the measure so that we will be truly satisfied and truly blessed.

Your servant in Christ,

Thos. S. Petersen

Pastor

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF TRINITY FOR 1957

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, January 1, 1957	$ 401 55	
Loose & envelope Offerings	17,710 58	
Easter Offering	358 90	
Lenten Denial Banks	539 15	
Luther League Fellowship	150 00	
Advance for Christ	602 80	
Lutheran Welfare	11 30	
Camp Colton	14 95	
Insurance refund	220 01	
Insurance claim	10 00	
Lutheran World Action	415 50	
Augustana Mission Advance	218 58	
Sale of used sink	10 00	
Film rental - Zion Lutheran	5 25	$20,668 57

DISBURSEMENTS

Debt reduction	$ 656 06	
Pastor's salary	3,600 00	
Other salaries	1,620 00	
Utilities	831 59	
Fuel	728 26	
Maintenance & repair	935 07	
Supplies & devotional material	1,155 46	
Postage & publicity	285 31	
Insurance	426 53	
Taxes	181 58	
Car allowance	1,000 00	
Music	30 37	
Pulpit supply	75 00	
Luther League	15 44	
Pension and Aid	391 00	
Fund for Parish Education Unit	3,000 00*	
Miscellaneous	724 53	
Columbia Conference Allocation	2,832 50**	
" " Luther League Felshp	150 00	
" " Advance for Christ	602 80	
" " Lutheran Welfare	11 30	
" " Camp Colton	14 95	
" " Luth Student Aid	50 00	
" " Lutheran World Action	415 50	
" " Augustana Mission Adv	218 58	
Miscellaneous benevolence	277 40	
Columbia Hospital Chapel Fund	20 00	$20,249 23
On hand, December 31, 1957		$ 419 34

* Interest of $18.75 has been added to this fund.
** Included is $257.50 to be applied to 1958 allocation.

Unpaid bills -- none.
Due on bank loan -- $561.36

Edgar Johnson
Treasurer

Trinity Lutheran Church
19 January 1958

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

We, the undersigned, have audited the books of the Cashier, the Treasurer, and the Financial Secretary of the congregation. We have also audited the books of the treasurers of the various organizations listed below. We find all to be in good order.

(signed) Mrs. Clark V. Hedeen
Jerry Lundholm
Paul Johnson

Reports of Organizations and Funds

Group	Balance '56	Income '57	Expen '57	Balance '57
Brotherhood	129 37	204 96	272 81	61 52
Choir	66 00	-	-	66 00
*Church School	167 37	1,323 80	1,253 98	237.19
Dau of Trinity	9 07	613 27	189 07	433 27
Fellowship Club	25 14	56.30	74.25	7 19
Ladies' Aid	722 45	1,083 48	1,109 50	696.43
(LA Savings	1,493 26	203 51	-	1,696.77)
Luther League	-11 92	22.97	40.68	-29.63
Memorial Fund	2,557.47	142 90	-	2,700 37
Par Ed Unit	-	3,018.75	-	3,018.75
Women's Mis. Soc.	-	364.62	347.96	16 66

* Our Church School gave $124.34 to missions and also received an offering of $146.45 for Advance for Christ.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1958

ITEM	1958	1957
Pastor's Salary	$3600.00	$3600.00
Other Salaries	1980.00	1550.00
Utilities	800.00	650.00
Fuel	750.00	1000.00
Maintenance & Repair	1000.00	500.00
Supplies & Devotional Material	600.00	650.00
Insurance & Taxes	750.00	700.00
Postage & Publicity	150.00	150.00
Car Allowance	1000.00	1000.00
Luther League	150.00	150.00
Sunday School	1000.00	1000.00
Pulpit Supply	150.00	150.00
Miscellaneous	250.00	250.00
Music	30.00	30.00
Hymnals	770.00	none
Parish Evangelism	100.00	150.00
Debt Reduction	600.00	935.00
Parish Education Unit	2000.00	3000.00
Conference & Convention	75.00	none
Lutheran Student Work	Offering	100.00
LSI Student Aid	none	100.00
Conference Allocation	2840.00	2575.00
Pension & Aid	400.00	400.00
District Fare Fund	60.00	60.00
	$19,055.00	$18,550.00

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BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

1. We, as members of this Trinity Evangelical Congregation, gratefully offer thanks to our Heavenly Father for His loving care and His many blessings to us during this past year.

2. We forget not our overwhelming obligations to the Lord, our Creator, and that we humbly strive, by daily scripture reading and earnest prayer, to become more keenly aware of His will for us, and of our great responsibility in bringing others to Him.

3. We be truly thankful to God for the wondrous blessings He showered upon us in the Evangelism Mission, and that we further pledge our loyal support to an ever-continuing spirit of evangelism here in Trinity.

4. We sincerely express our gratitude to Pastor Petersen for the manner in which he so understandingly meets our spiritual needs in his preaching and in his Christian counseling with young and old, alike; and we pledge him our wholehearted and continuing support in his zealous efforts to advance the work of God among us.

5. We show added zeal and ever-growing enthusiasm in the development of Christian educational facilities for our children and young people. We pledge our loyal support to our Church School teachers and to others who have responsibilities connected with the development of our young people.

6. Those who have suffered the loss of loved ones during 1957 be urged to seek comfort in the Lord and in His Word.

7. We forget not our constitutional obligations to our Church, and ourselves, in that, "the members shall diligently and prayerfully study the Word of God, observe private and family worship and devotional services of the Congregation, and faithfully and reverently partake of the Lord's Supper."

8. We recommend to the Board of Administration that the offerings to be received at Lent, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas be used for the benevolence responsibilities of the congregation.

9. We unite our hearts in humble petition that the Holy Spirit may be strengthened in us, and that we prayerfully pledge our continued complete and sincere support to the whole program of our Church.

Submitted by Resolutions Committee,
Ethel Elfving
Art Stromsness
Gunnar Johanson
Nels Rasmussen

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